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Summit date to be set

RABAT, April 11 (R) — Arab states have generally agreed to hold an extraordinary summit in Morocco, but there are differences about the date, Moroccan officials said Monday.

Morocco has proposed that the summit be held in the eastern city of Fez on April 16 and 17 to discuss fresh Arab moves toward a Middle East peace settlement. A date for the meeting should be announced within the next 24 hours, the officials said.

Alkhobar water plant shut as oil spill advances

RIYADH, April 11 (Agencies) — The Saudi Saline Water Conversion Corporation (SWCC) has temporarily shut down its desalination plant (first phase) at Alkhobar in line with King Fahd's directives. Agriculture and Water resources Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh said here Monday.

In a statement to SPA, the minister said "precautions were taken following reports of oil patches advancing toward Alkhobar coast." King Fahd has ordered the shutdown of the plant till it is established that the region is free from any pollution, he said.

Dr. Abdul Rahman said King Fahd had also banned fishing in polluted areas and directed fishing authorities in the western region to increase their production so as to compensate for the expected shortage during this period.

Alkhobar plant's phase II, on completion, will provide the region with big water supplies, the minister said. The plant had started its experimental operation.

Water experts said the plant closed by King Fahd at Alkhobar was relatively small. The world's biggest desalination plant at Jubail, 100 kilometers north of Alkhobar, was apparently not affected.

Kuwaiti Health Minister Abdulrahman Al-Awadi said he was hoping for an agreement on resuming ministerial talks, but much depends on whether experts who began talks Sunday night could reach an agreement.

Meanwhile, squads of pollution technicians were placing a ring of inflatable booms around Bahrain's Sitra sea water desalination plant Monday.

Officials said that tar balls from the slick were hitting the shore, as men of the Bahrain defense force, police and the public works directorate were making regular visits to the affected beaches to remove these balls.

The two-month-old slick is threatening severe pollution problems for the Gulf countries who depend on the sea, among other things, for desalinated water supplies.

There have been reports that two blazing Iranian wells at Nowruz were in danger of exploding, with up to 20,000 barrels of crude oil added daily to huge quantities already floating over vast areas of the Gulf.

Iran has so far rejected Iraq's demand for a contractual ceasefire in the affected area, under U.N. supervision. The two countries

have been at war since September 1980.

In addition to Iran and Iraq, the Kuwaiti meetings include experts from the six other member states of the Regional Organization for the Protection of the Marine Environment (ROPME). These are Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Qatar and Oman.

Kuwait's health minister denied meanwhile reports that he was planning to visit Iran and Iraq in quest of a slick solution.

"We are still waiting for replies from the concerned parties," he said in a statement. "There would be no need for such visits if an agreement was reached before Wednesday's ministerial meeting scheduled by ROPME."

Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini charged Sunday that Western powers and media were using the issue of an oil slick to "obfuscate" the "real issue of Gulf war," the official Iranian news agency, IRNA, reported.

Iraq claims fierce fighting

BAGHDAD, April 11 (Agencies) — Iraq said Monday Iranian forces had launched a major new offensive in the Gulf war and reported fierce fighting along its eastern border. A military communiqué said the Iranians attacked in the southeastern border province of Misan late Sunday night along a 30-kilometer front.

A later communique said most of the Iranian thrust was beaten off but fierce fighting was continuing along a 10-kilometer front Monday. Three hundred Iranians were captured while the rest of the attackers either fled or were killed in the fighting, which occurred between the border villages of Al-Eila and Zubaidat, it said.

"Despite the continuation of the fierce battles, we are sure that this attack will be buried the same way Iraq has buried previous attempts," the communique said.

In February the last reported Iranian offensive was launched but it was repulsed. Iraqi troops beat off the attack. It put Iranian casualties at over 15,000 dead and about 30,000 wounded with over 3,000 taken captive, although there has been no independent confirmation of these figures.

Iraqi radio and television Monday played martial music and patriotic songs. State television opened several hours early to announce news of the Iranian offensive.

Unexploded bomb halts London area

LONDON, April 11 (R) — An unexploded World War II bomb paralyzed central London for three hours Monday when police closed roads, bridges and stations until it was defused. Workmen discovered the 50-kilo German bomb Sunday night when a mechanical digger dredged it up with mud from the River Thames and lifted it on to a barge near Waterloo Bridge.

Huge traffic jams built up during the morning rush-hour in around the House of Parliament and government buildings in Whitehall and in central London.

Police sealed off all approaches and closed river traffic on a one-mile stretch of the Thames to limit the risk from shrapnel or flying glass.

They closed three bridges, embankment roads and nearby railway and underground stations and told people in buildings near the barge to stay indoors and away from windows. Army experts defused the bomb and traffic in central London was beginning to return to normal.

Jordan, PLO reaffirm close ties

Joint Arab plan sought

AMMAN, April 11 (Agencies) — Jordan and the PLO said Monday their relations would not be affected by their failure to agree on a joint approach to Middle East peace, but Western diplomats said prospects of a settlement had receded. "The situation is gloomier than ever, and nobody really knows what's to be done next," one diplomat said.

King Hussein, under U.S. pressure to enter into direct talks with Israel, had been negotiating with the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) for five months on a joint action plan, which also required Arab blessing. But an announcement after a special cabinet meeting chaired by the king Sunday said the talks had been abandoned and the PLO was free to do what it liked best. As for Jordan, it would neither act alone nor by proxy in any peace negotiations. Jordanian Information Minister Adnan Abu Odeh said the decision would not weaken ties with the PLO, adding: "Our brotherly relations will remain warm and strong."

PLO foreign affairs spokesman Farouk Kaddoumi, in Amman en route from Baghdad to Damascus, said: "Our bilateral relations are developing, regardless of differences in views over the Reagan initiative." The PLO rejected President Reagan's plan which called for Palestinian self-rule in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza in association with Jordan.

The PLO says it will stick by the Arab plan and the resolutions of the Palestine National Council, a PLO parliament-in-exile, which endorsed the scheme at a meeting in Algiers in February.

Another PLO official, Salah Khalaf said in Abu Dhabi: "The Jordanian statement implied that the only tie between Jordan and the PLO was the Reagan plan... but our relations are stronger than that."

To the Gulf, a senior official from the Gulf Cooperation Council said, "Jordan should not be forced to take any decision on peace moves unilaterally... Any decision on the issue should be endorsed by the Arabs," the official said. He added it was imperative to hold a proposed Arab summit on schedule to map out a common strategy on future peace moves.

The diplomats said the Jordan-PLO talks could be revived if the United States secured an early withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanon. But the chances of obtaining a new Arab consensus at a summit proposed for later this month in Morocco appeared slim because countries like Libya, Syria and South Yemen were expected to boycott the conference, they said.

In Cairo, there was no immediate comment on the Jordanian move from Egyptian officials.

Suspect detained in Sartawi case

LISBON, April 11 (AP) — The Portuguese government confirmed Monday that a Moroccan national was being held by police in connection with the assassination of leading Palestinian moderate Isam Sartawi. (Related story on page 4)

Roberto Carneiro, acting internal administration minister, identified the man as 26-year-old Al-Awad, a resident of Casablanca. But he added that police had not yet been able to determine if the Moroccan passport and an unspecified quantity of U.S. dollars found on the detained man were genuine.

Lisbon police said Al-Awad would appear Tuesday before magistrates who would rule if there were grounds for keeping him detained. In Washington, President Reagan termed the assassination of Sartawi a "tragedy." "It's indicative of the kind of violence we're trying to eradicate," Reagan said.

In Amman, King Hussein expressed his condolences to Sartawi's sister Monday, relatives said. The king was accompanied by Queen Noor.

A plane is expected to bring Sartawi's body from Portugal to Amman but relatives said the International Red Cross had also been approached to try to obtain Israeli approval for his burial in the West Bank. The relatives said Sartawi had always wished to be buried in the West Bank.

PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat Monday reacted to the murder by naming a French-Israeli journalist to replace Sartawi at a Socialist International meeting in the southern Portuguese city.

Arafat due in Sweden

STOCKHOLM, April 11 (Agencies) — Palestinian Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat arrives here Tuesday for a visit, it was announced. Arafat will meet with Sweden's Prime Minister Olof Palme.

Reagan, discussing the Mideast peace as he returned to the White House from Camp David, said he talked by telephone with Hussein and King Fahd. The chief executive said he would talk with other heads of state in the region. "Some radical elements of the PLO have introduced changes in the proposals that have been made and the policy we have been trying to follow with regard to Middle East peace," said Reagan, who was accompanied by Shultz.

The president called those changes "unacceptable" to Hussein. "We feel that the changes that were suggested would impede the efforts we've been making toward negotiated peace in the Middle East, peace for Israel, peace for all of the countries there," Reagan added.

Reagan, questioned by reporters, said he remained "very hopeful" that Hussein would somehow rejoin the talks on behalf of Palestinians. Meanwhile, West Germany Monday urged all parties in the Middle East conflict to renew their peace efforts. Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher told a Euro-Arab cultural symposium in Hamburg, West Germany attacked great importance to Arab unity in pursuing this goal. He also pledged that the European Community would work closely with its partners in the region and the United States to achieve a comprehensive settlement.

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Pym rushing to Amman

ABU DHABI, April 11 (R) — British Foreign Secretary Francis Pym will visit Jordan on Tuesday to discuss its decision to abandon talks with the PLO on joint action in Middle East peace moves, British officials said Monday.

Pym, at present in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) during a Gulf tour, hoped to meet Jordanian Foreign Minister Marwan Al-Oqasem and possibly King Hussein, the officials said.

(In London, the Foreign Office confirmed that Pym would make a detour to Jordan on Tuesday on the return leg of his trip. It said Britain was consulting the governments principally involved to assess the implication of the Jordanian decision. Foreign Office Junior Minister Douglas Hurd said later in a radio interview that Pym would meet King Hussein to discuss the peace process and to see if there was any way in which Britain could contribute.)

Pym visited Saudi Arabia this week and moved on to the UAE Sunday night. He had been due to return from Dubai to London on Tuesday but will instead stop over in the Jordanian capital, the British officials said. They gave no further details. But British sources said Pym felt his presence in the region was a useful opportunity to assess the Middle East situation in the light of the Jordanian move.

"The foreign secretary has just had talks with King Fahd and other leaders, and this is a very useful opportunity to take soundings and assess the situation in depth after what was a fairly significant development in the area," one source said.

"He is the only Western foreign minister in the region at the moment and it seems like a sensible thing to do," he added. The source, cautioned against reading too much into Pym's unscheduled trip, saying: "He is not mediating between anyone, nor does he have any new initiatives. He simply wants to assess the situation."

British officials have labeled the visits to Saudi Arabia and the UAE as a "cease-and-desist exercise to cement an improvement in Anglo-Gulf ties. Relations were soured at the turn of the year after Britain refused to accept a PLO official in an Arab mission to London.

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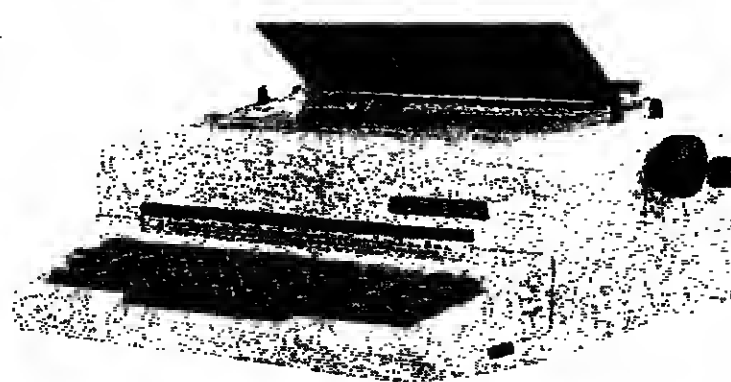
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'Positive' European stand lauded

Pym's trip fosters Saudi-British links

RIYADH, April 11 (SPA) — Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal has expressed the Kingdom's satisfaction with the positive international and European reaction to a Pan-Arab plan for peace in Middle East adopted at the Fez Arab summit. In a statement issued here Sunday by the Saudi Arabian Foreign Ministry at the end of British Foreign Secretary Francis Pym's visit to the Kingdom, Prince Saud said the trip had strengthened the existing Anglo-Saudi Arabian cooperation.

During his three-day visit, Pym called on King Fahd, Crown Prince Abdullah, the deputy prime minister and commander of the National Guard, Prince Sultan, the second deputy prime minister and minister of defense and aviation, and Prince Naif, minister of the interior.

Pym's talks with Saudi Arabian leaders concentrated on bilateral relations, the situation in the Middle East and other questions of mutual concern, the statement said. Prince Saud and Pym have expressed their satisfaction with the ever developing ties between the two countries in all domains, a matter which reflects the traditional Anglo-Saudi Arabian relations, it added.



Francis Pym

On the Middle East crisis, the statement said, "Although the Arab states and the Palestine Liberation Organization have done their best to bring about a just and durable peace in the Middle East, Israel's intransigence and procrastination have posed an obstacle to achieve this goal."

Prince Saud has expressed the Kingdom's hope that the positive European stand should be materialized into practical effect in this connection, it added. Saud has stressed the need for an immediate and unconditional Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon and affirmed support for the inalienable right of the Lebanese government to preserve Lebanon's independence and sovereignty on all the Lebanese territory.

On the Gulf war, the statement said Prince Saud had stressed the dire need to put an end to the Iraq-Iran war and to restore the dignity and interests of the two warring countries as well as ensure stability in the Gulf region.

On the oil issue, Saud expressed the hope that the recent OPEC accord on oil prices and production would be honored by all OPEC member states. The statement quoted Prince Saud as saying, "Any cut or oil price war will produce an adverse and harmful effect on the international economy."

Saud noted with pleasure "identical" British views on such issues and that the two sides will continue mutual consultations in future. The statement said Pym's visit to the Kingdom and his talks with Saudi leaders had contributed to promoting Anglo-Saudi relations.

At a press conference Sunday, Pym said his country would use its influence to accelerate negotiations on withdrawing the Israeli forces from Lebanon and to put a halt to Jewish settlement activities on the occupied Arab West Bank. Britain will also urge the U.S. to do the same in the light of Washington's great influence on the Israelis, Pym added.

He expressed the hope that the U.S. would press Israel to "change its policy in the West Bank and join negotiations on peace proposals for the Middle East problem."

Pym said his country supported the Palestine cause since it was the crux of the Middle East problem and backed the principle of



Prince Saud Al Faisal

self-determination all over the world. "Britain also supports Arab countries which are making efforts to bring about peace in the region," he added.

The British foreign secretary said his country supported the PLO on condition that the organization recognizes Israel's right to existence and called for simultaneous recognition between the two sides.

Pym said the outcome of an Arab League delegation's recent visit to London was "successful" and noted that all delegation members were greeted "warmly" by British officials.

The delegation's visit to London was part of its mission to explain a Pan-Arab peace plan, adopted by the Fez Arab summit to resolve the Middle East problem, to the permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. The delegation had also visited Washington, Paris, Moscow and Peking.

Referring to the tripartite talks on foreign troops withdrawal from Lebanon, Pym said, "The deliberations have not yet achieved any success." He hoped that an accord on troop withdrawal would be realized in the near future.

Sultan to attend graduation of technicians

DAMMAM, April 11 (SPA) — Second Deputy Premier and Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan will attend the graduation ceremony of the fourth and fifth classes of the Marine Technical Studies Institute due to be held here on Sunday.

Nearly 135 graduates will receive the rank of corporal. Prince Sultan will distribute certificates and awards to the graduates who have had courses in electricity, engineering, supply and management, in addition to academic studies.

Prince Sultan will also attend a similar function next Tuesday for the passing out of the 34th and 25th classes of the Technological Studies Institute at King Abdul Aziz air base in Dammam.

The two classes are comprised of 171 graduates including 14 from Arab states. The graduates have received special courses in jet fueling and maintenance as well as equipment operation and maintenance.

Sultan is also expected to inspect the region's military installations.

Seminar on kidney set

RIYADH, April 11 (SPA) — Minister of Industry and Electricity and acting Health Minister Dr. Ghazi Algosaiti will open Wednesday a seminar on kidney ailments organized by the Scientific Research Center. The center is presently organizing a similar seminar in Jeddah.



SHOW: Saudi Agriculture '83, the second agricultural show, was opened Sunday by Abdul Aziz Al Mudabbi, deputy agricultural minister for research and development at the Al-Dhafa Exhibition Center in Riyadh. Picture shows Al Mudabbi inspecting a display at the show.

BRIEFS

ACO's conference
MAKKAH (SPA) — The Arab Cities Organization (ACO) will hold its seventh conference in Algeria on April 30 with a number of items on its agenda, including issues related to the development of Arab and Islamic cities. The organization's Secretary-General Abdul Aziz Yusef Al-Adassani has sent out invitations to the mayors of Islamabad, Ankara, Bamako and Kuala Lumpur in their capacity as members of the ACO Board.

Pilgrimage issues
RIYADH (SPA) — Pilgrimage Affairs and Islamic Endowments Minister Abdul-Wahab Abdul-Wasie has reviewed with Bashir Hamza, head of a Libyan pilgrimage mission, issues relating to the pilgrimage and ways of facilitating easier performance of the holy rites.

Intensive care seminar
RIYADH — A seminar on intensive care was opened here Sunday by Maj. Gen. Muhammad Ibrahim Al-Emari, director of the Riyadh-Al-Kharj Hospital Program. Al-Nadwa reported Monday. The seminar is overseen by the Joint Council of Higher Medical Studies. It was prepared by the staff of the medical studies and anesthetics units of the Armed Forces Hospital and King Saud University's Faculty of Medicine.

SAUDI INSURANCE BROKERAGE FIRM (S.S.T.S.) CONCLUDES MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH FRANK B. HALL

Further to the Chairman's announcement of February 1st, 1983, the Board of Directors of Saudi Security & Technical Services (S.S.T.S.) have decided to expand the scope of the company's operation and provide comprehensive service to the insurance market, announced Hani Al Emam, Director of S.S.T.S., on behalf of the company.

To assist in this second phase of company's development, the Board, he added, have also concluded with Frank B. Hall, a Management Agreement that will lend to the organization resourcefulness and professionalism acknowledged in the international insurance markets. Frank B. Hall will also continue acting as international correspondent brokers for S.S.T.S.

Frank B. Hall was founded in 1862. It is currently the fourth largest insurance service firm in the world with 1981 revenues in excess of U. S. Dollar 353 Million.

S.S.T.S. was established in 1978 and have offices in Jeddah, Riyadh and Al-Khobar with over 28 employees. In addition to normal insurance broking operation, S.S.T.S. will undertake risk management assignments, arrange treaty and facultative reinsurances on behalf of local insurance companies under the management of Frank B. Hall.

Bana gets PhD in civil engineering

By Habib Rahman
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, April 11 — Muhammad Said Hassan Bana, director general of the road department at Jeddah Municipality, was awarded a PhD in civil engineering by Brighton Polytechnic of Britain last week. His research on highway design, related to construction problems and highway economics, took two years.

He said he would introduce new ideas and concepts in the city's beautification programs. Before joining the municipality, Bana worked with the Ministry of Communications for ten years as project manager for mini roads and was also in charge of road and highway construction in the Haj areas.

About five years ago, he joined the municipality as director of roads and was promoted to the post of director general of roads department three months ago.

Bana said that since he took over more than SR4 billion worth of contracts have been awarded for the beautification of the city which includes urban streets, Cor-



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TURKISH FAIR: Makkah Governor Prince Majed is offered sweets at a stall during the course of his tour of the second Turkish Export Products Fair at the Jeddah Expo Center, after it was opened by him on Sunday evening. Conducting him around the fair, at left, is Turkish Ambassador Huseyin E. Celem.

200 firms taking part

Turkish product fair opened

By K.S. Ramkumar
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, April 11 — The week-long colorful Turkish Export Products Fair, which has an emphasis on technology, was opened by Makkah Governor Prince Majed at the Jeddah Expo Center Sunday evening. The show concludes April 16.

Described as one of the largest of its kind, Turkey '83 — the second fair after one held last year — has drawn 300 representatives of 200 major Turkish manufacturers and suppliers.

Organized by Intertek, the fair is designed to help Turkish businessmen establish direct contacts with buyers. Around 100 Turkish firms have displayed a wide range of products which include decorative construction material, furniture and decor, upholstery and curtain fabric, classical hand-made carpets, imitation jewelry, bathroom and kitchen accessories, handicrafts, foodstuffs, fabrics and ready-made garments.

According to Intertek Chairman Huseyin Avunduk, the first fair, with a stress on consumer items, was a "grand success" and enabled the signing of a number of contracts. With the arrival of a high-level delegation, led by Turkish Minister of State for Foreign Economic Relations Sermet Refik Pasin, "many more contracts are expected to be signed."

Turkey's unique geographical position enables it to meet the needs of the Kingdom faster and at low transportation costs, hence, the visiting delegation, will also discuss at length the possibility of maintaining continuous shipment of goods as well as joint ventures in Turkey and the Kingdom, he said. A nearly 24-fold increase has been registered in total trade between the two countries during the last four years as the volume of business soared from \$33.8 million in 1979 to \$598 million in 1981 and \$834 million in 1982.

Turkish contractors now have on hand construction projects worth \$4 billion with nearly 85,000 Turkish workers employed in various projects in the Kingdom, according to Turkish Ambassador Huseyin E. Celem.

Cultural exchange between the two countries is also increasing, he said adding that Turkey has become a "big attraction" for tourists from the Kingdom since visas are not required for Saudi Arabian, American and most of European nationals.

The Turkish Cultural Festival troupe, which is on a tour of the Gulf region, is currently visiting Bahrain, staging at the Regency Inter-Continental Hotel, Manama, until April 14.

Sponsored in cooperation with the Turkish government, the festival is described as the "most ambitious of such events staged outside Turkey."

From Turkish painters and photographers, to performances by musicians and dance troupes, all aspects of Turkish modern and traditional culture are covered. Included in the festival are performances by celebrated pianist Gulay Ugurata and violinist Sema Kan, both women having gained the much-coveted "State artist of Turkey" award, for their contributions to culture and music.

The festival also includes works of art from contemporary Turkish painters, calligraphers and photographers, as well as exhibits of hand-made silverware and embroidery and a truly impressive display of traditional and highly-prized Turkish silk carpets "very expensive, but very lovely and practical."

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Management firm strives for quality health care

By K.S. Ramkumar
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, April 11 — With already "successfully" managing two government hospitals in the Kingdom, the American Medical International Saudi Arabia Ltd. is on the threshold of making it big as a provider of quality health care through specialized services.

The four-year-old company, whose board members comprise Hisham Alireza and Khaled Alireza, of the Xenel Group of Companies, Thomas E. Donahue, Jr., executive vice president, secretary and general counsel of the American Medical International (United States) and Ahmed Yehia, group vice president of AMI, is managing the Health Ministry's King Fahd General Hospital at Baha for the last 19 months and the King Khaled Eye Specialist Hospital at Riyadh, which is scheduled to open in about three months.

AMI Saudi Arabia Ltd. President James H. Youree, who has been here for the last two years, said his company is jointly owned by the AMI and the Xenel Group.

Yehia said the objective in forming the Saudi Arabian company was to provide quality health care through supply of specialized staff, equipment, as well as maintenance and catering services.

"A hospital is a dynamic institution and it's no joke managing it," Yehia said adding that the difficulties encountered are also not easy to surmount. While it took just three months for the company to organize the Baha hospital, the Riyadh hospital has taken six months of planning. "But then nothing is insurmountable for the company which has all the necessary management expertise."

One advantage of the AMI-managed hospital is the patients needing specialized treatment can be sent abroad to hospitals managed by its affiliated companies. From the Baha hospital, he said, at least 10 cases have so far been referred to foreign hospitals. They included serious cases concerning heart surgery, kidney transplant and corneal replacement.

The medical coordination committee reviews cases before patients are sent abroad for treatment, he added.

The Saudi company can manage as many as six to eight hospitals with its existing capacity. Yehia said adding that AMI has set recruitment standards all over the world through representatives, agencies and offices.

Actually, Yehia said AMI (U.S.) owns most of the hospitals that it is managing in United States and Europe. "The Canadian government has approached us to manage one of its hospitals."

Yehia said "We are proud of the efforts we have put in. The results have been good. The testimony of our success in Baha is widely acknowledged by all including patients who have been coming there from as far as Taif, Riyadh and Abha, besides the villages around."

Donahue said throughout the world AMI provides high quality acute hospital care and helps other hospitals and organizations to provide quality health care by making available specialized services through 11 service subsidiaries.

Today, he said, more than 100 hospitals and health care centers are owned by AMI, managed by AMI for other owners, or are under development by AMI.

In the United States, Donahue said, AMI



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Jeddah closes tree-planting week tomorrow

JEDDAH, April 11 — Makkah Governor Prince Majed will attend Wednesday evening at Qasr Khuzam Green Houses the closing ceremony of the tree-planting week organized by Jeddah Municipality, Al-Madinah reported Monday.

The fourth such campaign was aimed at planting 100,000 saplings throughout Jeddah. Saudi Arabian Airlines, a number of government departments and public and private firms played an active part in the campaign.

Water reservoir studies complete

JEDDAH, April 11 — All studies for the construction of two gigantic water reservoirs to store 52 million gallons of water here have been completed, Al-Madinah reported Monday.

Muhammad Al-Urayyan, director general of the project for managing, operating and maintaining Jeddah waters, said that implementation will start soon. He said that each reservoir will contain 26,400,000 gallons or 100,000 cubic meters.

A previous phase that is nearing completion will serve the areas east of Jeddah between Prince Majed (Al-Sabeen) Street, the new Makkah/Jeddah expressway and the area north of Palestine Street and south of Sijm (Prison) Street. It will also cover the region north and west of Tayyareen District, west of Salmeyah District, Rehab District, the northern Salama District, Zahra District, Naeeem District, Hazzaa District, Naghi District and the Northern Corniche Part. That phase will cover a 1,000 kilometers.

Majed endorses separating farms, residential districts

MAKKAH, April 11 — Makkah Governor Prince Majed has endorsed a recommendation to move livestock and poultry farms away from residential districts, Al-Nadwa reported. The recommendations had been drafted by a committee set up to look into various complaints about damages sustained by residents as a result of the proximity of those farms to the quarters where they live.

The committee recommended that when the Ministry of Agriculture and Water authorizes a project, it should maintain certain distance between the would-be farms and residential areas. It recommended the ministry should put an end to such phenomenon and define sanctions for offenders.

According to the recommendations, representatives from the Environmental Health Department of the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs and other competent authorities should draw up a detailed report on the project before any license is delivered. The report would deal with the environmental health aspects and public interest.

Owners of livestock and poultry farms will henceforth be compelled to backfill pits in which they throw animal waste. They also must build incinerators. Likewise, they will have to wash the trucks and containers in



Prince Majed

which such waste is carried and spray them with chemicals as soon as the transportation is over. The farmers will also be compelled to use special chlorine to sterilize wells and contaminated water.

Prince Majed ordered the Western Province Water and Sewage Department to supervise already authorized farms and submit periodical reports on their health conditions.

Makkah water requirements to be met

MAKKAH, April 11 — Makkah will achieve self-sufficiency in water within ten months, Fahd Al-Sulayman, director general of the Western Province Water and Sewage Department told Al-Bilad.

The official said that the government already has managed to secure 90,000 cubic meters of water a day to fulfill part of the city's requirements. Within two months, this quantity will be raised to 100,000 cubic meters, after four new wells go into operation. The wells were dug recently at Wadi Bani Umair to supply 10,000 cubic meters

of water per day.

Sulayman said that 18,000 cubic meters will be pumped from Wadi Fatma to Makkah to bring the total to about 120,000 cubic meters a day, which is the quantity that Makkah will need in the days to come. He added that a tender had been launched for that project and the bids opened. The project was commissioned to a national firm which will begin its work within the coming ten months. Meanwhile, work has already started on the Shuabi desalting project which will take several years to complete.

Saudi Telephone chasing 'nuisance callers'

JEDDAH, April 11 — Telephone subscribers receiving 'nuisance calls' were requested by a Saudi Telephone spokesman Monday not to ask to have their phone number changed, but instead to contact the telephone company so it can place their number under surveillance.

Wahid Fawwaz Kayyal, Jeddah communications zone director told Al-Nadwa that Saudi Telephone has electronic devices which enable it to trace nuisance calls directly to their perpetrator.

Kayyal said that the victims of such calls

can request that their phone be placed under surveillance and the problem eliminated in a hurry. He said that 45 nuisance callers were caught last month and their cases have been referred to the authorities for action.

At the same time, it has been announced that the residents of Madinah will soon be able to use their telephones as alarm clocks.

Saudi Telephone is now in the process of installing a new system which will enable subscribers to program their telephones to call them at a pre-set time.

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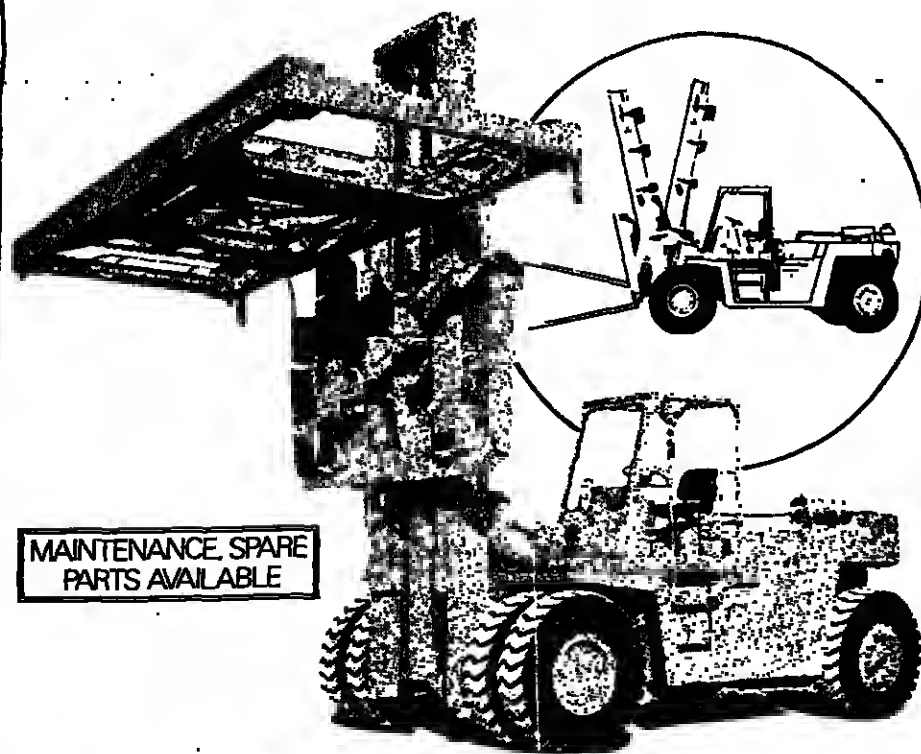
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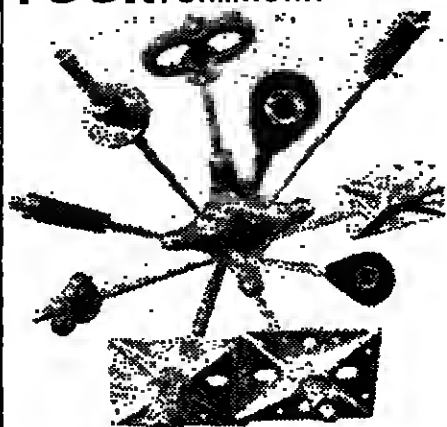
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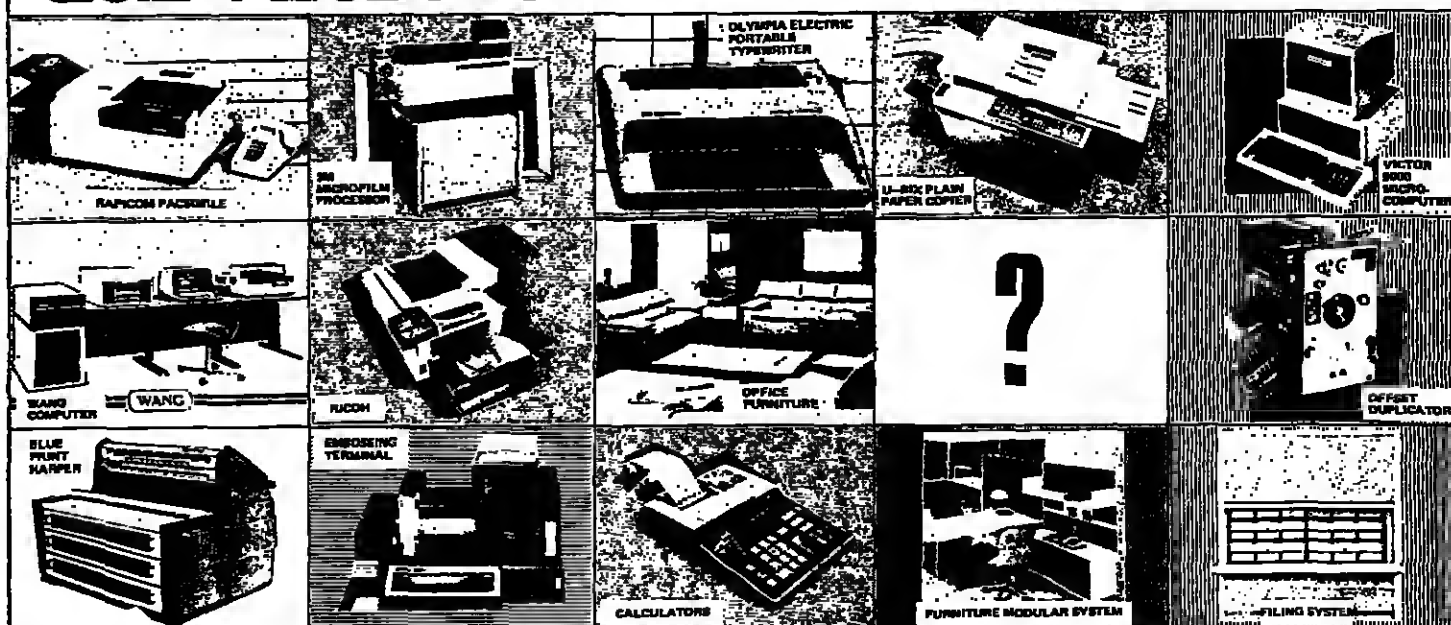


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Go over Begin's head to people in quest of peace, Carter says

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP) — The only way to get Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin to change his position in negotiating a Middle East peace plan is to "go over his head" to the people, former U.S. President Jimmy Carter said Sunday.

He said President Ronald Reagan's plan to withhold the sale of warplanes to Israel is "exactly the wrong thing to do" if it is intended to pressure Begin.

Appearing on American television (ABC's "This Week with David Brinkley" Show), Carter said "Israeli policies and the American policies are at cross purposes" on the two "issues that can no longer be avoided" — the rights of the Palestinian people and the question of whether Israel will withdraw from territories it occupies on the West Bank of the Jordan River and Gaza Strip.

Saying the optimism that existed during negotiations toward the Camp David accord "is now fading away," Carter said Israeli settlement of the West Bank in the last few years and the "rapid deterioration in life quality of the Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza... have essentially altered the prospects for peace."

Afghan talks begin in Geneva

GENEVA, April 11 (Agencies) — A top United Nations mediator met privately here Monday with Pakistani officials in the first round of indirect talks aimed at breaking the military and political stalemate in Soviet-occupied Afghanistan.

U.N. undersecretary-general Diego Cordovez continued the shuttle diplomacy that led to the current round of talks, meeting separately with Pakistani officials in the first round of indirect talks aimed at breaking the military and political stalemate in Soviet-occupied Afghanistan.

Informed sources, who requested anonymity, said Cordovez opened the first meeting with Pakistan with a draft proposal aimed at providing the groundwork for an Afghan settlement. Details of the draft were not disclosed.

Meanwhile, Afghan foreign minister told the weekly *Newsweek* Soviet troops would withdraw from Afghanistan as soon as "intervention from abroad, mainly from Pakistan" ceased.

Shah Muhammad Dost, who was interviewed in Buenos Aires, said that when there was a complete end to foreign intervention and "an international guarantee is given to that effect, there will be no reason for the Soviets to stay." "We will ask the Soviet Union and they will definitely withdraw."

He said Afghan President Babrak Karmal "has the full support of the overwhelming majority of the Afghan people."

Reagan's Middle East peace plan — which calls for Palestinian autonomy in the Israeli-occupied territories in association with Jordan — suffered a setback Sunday when Jordan's King Hussein scrapped negotiations with PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat for a joint approach toward talks with Israel. The plan does not call for a Palestinian state or give the PLO any role in the peace process, but the Reagan administration had been pressuring Hussein to enter the peace process as a representative of the Palestinians.

Israel has rejected the Reagan plan but U.S. officials have said they believed the Israelis might compromise if Hussein and non-PLO Palestinians offered to negotiate in lieu of the PLO.

Asked if he thought there could be progress toward peace as long as Begin remains in office, Carter said: "It's possible for Prime Minister Begin to change his position and for others to change their position as well... But the only way you can bring about that kind of change is not through pressure or force or threats."

He said the way to change "even Prime Minister Begin's position... is to go over his head, in effect, and to convince the Israeli people and convince the Palestinian people and to convince the Arab people that this possibility for peace and economic progress and security is so attractive that the people themselves will put pressure on their leaders and require an acceptance of an agreement."

"The only way I've ever found to have a chance of success in a negotiation like that is to take your case either to Begin's advisers... or to the (Israeli) cabinet," Carter said of his or the (Israeli) cabinet.

Habib meets advisers

TEL AVIV, April 11 (Agencies) — U.S. presidential envoy Philip Habib conferred with advisers Monday as the U.S.-mediated talks between Israel and Lebanon resumed.

Habib arrived in Israel Sunday night from the United States after a week away from the Middle East. The American Embassy said he did not have any meetings with Israeli officials scheduled immediately but was talking with American diplomats about the course of the three-month-old negotiations.

In Nathaniya, 30 kilometers north of Tel Aviv, Israeli, Lebanese and American negotiators met in committees to discuss arrangements or an Israeli troop withdrawal from Lebanon.

One group continued to examine the issue of security arrangements between Israel and Lebanon, while a second group took up "other questions," informed sources said.

The negotiations, which first opened last December in Khalde, Lebanon, have been deadlocked for weeks over the question of the nature of future Israeli-Lebanese ties and of security arrangements in southern Lebanon.

experience in negotiating the 1979 Camp David accord with Begin and former Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

Although sidestepping the question of legality, the Reagan administration said earlier this month it would stick to its refusal to deliver new F-16 warplanes to Israel until that country's forces leave Lebanon. The statement came after Reagan said in a speech in California that the delivery is legally barred by the U.S. Arms Export Control Act, which forbids a purchasing country from using American arms for offensive purposes.

Carter said Sunday he was not disputing the legality of Reagan's plan, but that "if any of his purpose is to bring about a resolution of differences in the Middle East, then that's a counterproductive play."

He said the Israelis have to be convinced "the American commitment to Israel is paramount — that they are secure, that the United States support for them is unshakable and that by cooperation in the exploration of possibilities for peace they will benefit."

Mubarak, Zia to view M.E.

ISLAMABAD, April 11 (Agencies) — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak arrived here from Jakarta Monday on a 24-hour visit and was welcomed by President Muhammad Zia ul-Haq.

The two leaders will have formal meeting at a banquet given by Zia while official talks between the two countries are scheduled for Tuesday. Mubarak and Zia will discuss regional and bilateral issues besides the Middle East and Afghanistan.

Mubarak might try to enlist Pakistan's support in his efforts to rejoin the Arab fold. Mubarak will hold a news conference before flying to Cairo via Khartoum on Tuesday.

In retaliation to the 1979 Camp David accord, Pakistan went with other Arab countries in dissociating itself with Sadat's policies and Pakistan had no ambassador in Egypt for nearly three years.

The Egyptian president's visit at the end of a long Asian tour follows Islamabad's decision to send career diplomat Zafarul Islam to Cairo in January. Ambassador Zafarul Islam has served for two years as assistant secretary-general of the Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC) which suspended Egypt's membership soon after Sadat's trip to occupied Jerusalem.

It also coincides with the current visit of Egypt of Gen. Sawar Khan, deputy chief of the general staff of the Pakistan Army.

Leaders hail Sartawi's courage

TUNIS, April 11 (Agencies) — Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba has expressed "strong emotion and consternation" at the killing of Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) official Issam Sartawi in a condolence message to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat.

Bourguiba called Sartawi, Arafat's personal political adviser, a "great martyr" whose courageous positions echoed in Palestinian and international affairs.

The Tunisian president added that the death of Sartawi would strengthen the Palestinians' determination to pursue their just struggle for dignity and victory.

In another reaction, a spokesman for the Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said: "Egypt condemns the crime, regardless of who committed it." "We believe always in dialogue, in peaceful means. We believe in exchanging points of view, not bullets in the back," Dr. Al-Beltagui said.

Sartawi was shot to death Sunday morning in Albufeira, Portugal, where he was attending the Socialist International conference as the PLO observer.

Sartawi's assassination was described by Arafat as "a great loss to the Palestinian revolution." The martyrdom of this hero gives us more impetus to march on, until the Palestinian revolution's flag flutters over Jerusalem," Arafat, on a visit to North Yemen, told the Yemen News Agency.

"The Israeli intelligence carried out this crime, aided by some agents who operate under various slogans and various names," Arafat said. "But they are directly connected to the Mossad," he said.

Arafat said Sartawi died on the tenth anniversary of the assassination of three top PLO figures in Beirut. He said the three — Kamal Adwan, Kamal Nasser and Abu Youssef Al-Najjar — were killed on April 10, 1973, by Israeli intelligence agents.

"Sartawi chose to fight in the most difficult front, the front of the adversary," said Arafat.

"We waged the battle in total conviction that this front was the one that required courage in viewpoint and attitude... and he was one of the few who had the courage and the revolutionary capability to navigate in this



Sartawi

difficult and simultaneously dangerous front," Arafat added.

Arafat's second in command, security chief Salah Khalaf, said earlier in Abu Dhabi that the assassination was "an attempt to murder Palestinian moderation." Khalaf vowed that the assassination would not deter the PLO from pursuing its goals "through all military, political and diplomatic means."

"Issam was a man in a hurry for peace. Perhaps too much in a hurry," said a PLO official, who spoke in Kuwait on the condition that he not be identified. "His death is a loss for the (Palestinian) revolution."

The official said Sartawi had been on the death list of insurgent Fateh figure Abu Nidal. He said Abu Nidal's group was "thoroughly infiltrated by the Israelis." The PLO would take its own revenge against the group, he vowed. "Issam was a man in a hurry," recalled the official. "You couldn't say his ideas were approved by all — he was brave in his statements."

In Tunis, PLO executive committee accused the "Israeli intelligence service" of carrying out the assassination. The committee also paid tribute to Sartawi.

In a communique published in Tunis by the Palestinian news agency Wafa, the executive committee stressed that Sartawi had been murdered while carrying out his political mission at a conference of the Socialist International.

"This assassination perpetrated by Mossad (the Israeli intelligence agency)," the communique said, "must be added to the numerous Zionist crimes committed against the Palestinian people."

European bid to solve M.E. issue sought

ABU DHABI, April 11 (AP) — United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed warned about "the dangers to regional and international security and stability" inherent in the continuation of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Sheikh Zayed's statement was made Sunday during a meeting with British Foreign Secretary Francis Pym, who had arrived earlier after three days of Middle East talks with the Saudi Arabian leadership in Riyadh.

The UAE president asked the Western nations of the world to "support the Arabs for the sake of reaching a just and comprehensive solution to the Palestinian cause, which guarantees the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people," according to a report by the official news agency WAM.

Sheikh Zayed had met earlier with Salah Khalaf, the No. 2 man in the Palestine Liberation Organization, to discuss a growing rift between the PLO and Jordan's King Hussein.

Khalaf reiterated to Sheikh Zayed the PLO position that it was keen on special relations with Jordan, on condition that this does not conflict with PLO commitments to recent decisions by the Palestine National Council (PNC), according to a report by the Qatar News Agency distributed here.

BRIEFS

TEHRAN (AFP) — Fifty members of the Iranian leftist underground group Mujahadeen Khalq have been arrested in the northern provinces of Guilan and Mazandaran, the Revolutionary Guards, Iran's main paramilitary police force, said in a statement.

TEL AVIV (AFP) — A Tel Aviv woman has been arrested on spying charges, Israeli police said Monday. A police spokesman identified the woman as Brouha Green, 33.

ABU DHABI (AP) — Military talks were scheduled for May 8 to explore the feasibility of the United Arab Emirates buying an unspecified number of Mirage-2000 warplanes from France, Crown Prince Sheikh Khalifa bin Zaid announced Monday.

ABU DHABI (WAM) — UAE President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al Nahyan Monday attended the celebrations marking the inauguration of a Dhafra new air base and the graduation of a new batch of pilots.

STRASBOURG (AP) — A group of European Parliament members will appear before a congressional subcommittee in Washington on Thursday to testify about the human rights situation in Turkey, a parliament member said Monday.

HASBAYA (AP) — Syrian and Israeli troops exchanged artillery and machinegun fire for 75 minutes Sunday night along their 80-kilometer frontline in eastern Lebanon, reporters in this Bekaa Valley town said Monday. There were no indication of any casualties during the barrage which began at 9 p.m. and continued until 10:15 p.m.

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For Salvadoran soldiers

U.S. denies decision on Honduran training unit

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP) — The Pentagon says no decision has been made yet on whether to establish a center in Honduras where U.S. military advisers would train Salvadoran soldiers in anti-guerrilla warfare.

The *New York Times*, in Sunday editions, quoted two officials in the administration of President Ronald Reagan as saying the United States is planning to set up such a base. The newspaper said one of the officials reported that the base would be staffed with about 100 U.S. military advisers and that the Defense Department expected to have it operating in six weeks to two months.

The *Boston Sunday Globe* reported late last month that the administration wanted to assign 50 to 100 advisers to such a base to train 17,000 Salvadoran soldiers. The *Globe* said the administration wanted to start the training in about one month, if Honduras agreed and Congress provided the money.

"The only official comment is that there has been no decision made at this time," a

Pentagon spokesman said Sunday morning when asked to comment on the latest report.

The *Times* quoted one of the officials as saying the matter was "highly sensitive". The official said an agreement had been reached by the two countries and that only the details remained to be worked out, the newspaper reported.

The newspaper also quoted a senior Defense Department official as acknowledging that the United States was interested in having a training installation in Honduras and that it was discussing the possibility with the Honduran government but he said a final agreement had not yet been reached.

One of the officials quoted by the newspaper said the Defense Department's primary concern was the reaction of Congress and the U.S. public. About 1,400 Salvadoran soldiers received training at bases in the United States last year as part of the U.S. administration's support of the Salvadoran government in its struggle with leftist rebels.

Kosovo's autonomy demand suppressed by Yugoslavia

By Kerin Reis

ONTARIO, April 11 — It is now almost two years since the uprising in Yugoslavia Kosovo province started. In March 1981, the Muslim Albanians of Kosovo demonstrated peacefully to demand economic and political reforms. Tanks and troops were sent in by the government to silence the protesters, many of whom were killed or wounded in clashes with the army. More than 50,000 troops are still in Kosovo to control the situation. Martial law is in force.

The basic problems, however, have not been resolved. Most Albanians and even members of the Serbian group which is dominant in the government have concluded that the problems cannot be resolved within the present framework.

Albanians have long complained of domination of Kosovo's economy through banks, conglomerates and federal bureaucracy based in Belgrade, the country's capital. Kosovo's rich reserves of minerals and energy have been exploited by these outside forces. Agriculture and industry which would benefit Kosovo have been neglected. Unemployment in Kosovo is over 30 percent. The gap between it and neighboring Serbia, where Belgrade and the country's decision-makers are located, widens continuously. Complaints of cultural and religious discrimination against the Albanians and Islam have also surfaced. Recently, permission to build a new mosque in Pristina, capital of Kosovo, was denied by the authorities.

The Kosovo protest is also directed against the local Communist Party. Many Albanians feel that even the Albanian Communists

serve Belgrade's interests too readily in order to stay in power. They claim that the party's grandiose projects attract attention but to little to improve the average Albanian's life.

They point to the construction of a 70,000-seat stadium in a section of the city of Kosovska Mitrovica which does not have running water or sewers.

Officials admit that more than 1,100 Albanians have been jailed for political offenses since 1981, some for 15-year terms. Often the charge is "unfriendly propaganda" or "slandering the memory of Tito". At present, Kosovo is a province attached to neighboring Serbia. The Albanians would like to see Kosovo made a separate republic on the same level as Serbia and the other republics in the country's federal system. This has been ruled out by the hardline centralists in Belgrade.

However, Yugoslavia's precarious economic condition limits room for maneuver. Serbia in particular is reluctant to see Kosovo's minerals and energy slip from its control. Kosovo's Serbian minority is also reluctant to see its privileged position diminished. It has urged Belgrade to stand firm. Belgrade's heavy handed dealing with the Kosovo problem however, has led to bitter disputes with some of the country's other republics.

The military occupation is proving costly to Yugoslavia's economy as well as its political image abroad. Yugoslavia plans to host the winter Olympics of 1984 in Sarajevo, a traditional center of Muslim culture in the country. If the Kosovo problem is still unresolved, it could prove embarrassing to both the Yugoslav hosts and their Muslim guests.

On intelligence official

New Delhi refutes report

NEW DELHI, April 11 (AP) — The Indian government Sunday denied as "products of a fevered imagination and entirely untrue" reports in Calcutta and Bombay newspapers saying that the country's top intelligence chief had mysteriously departed for the United States to take up a job there.

"It is authoritatively stated that Mr. (N.F.) Santook has gone abroad on urgent official duty and is expected to return in two or three days," said a government press release. It did not say where he went or identify the assignment.

The *Telegraph* newspaper of Calcutta said in a front-page story Saturday that Santook,

head of the Research and Analysis Wing, popularly known as "RAW" on March 30 canceled a retirement party scheduled for the following day and left for the United States where he was believed to have taken a job.

"Government is astonished at the reports published yesterday...and today...alleging that Mr. N.F. Santook, director of the Research and Analysis Wing...has disappeared from the country in mysterious circumstances...They reveal either extreme gullibility or mischief on the part of the newspapers and are incompatible with responsible journalism," the press release said.

3 ships abandoned in storm

FALMOUTH, England, April 11 (AP) — One crewman died, two French yachtsmen were missing, and crews abandoned a Panamanian freighter and a Greek trawler Sunday night as 70 mph gale-force winds lashed the English Channel, the coast guard reported.

"It's one of the worst days we can remember," said a coast guard spokesman at this southwest English port. The crewman died and 27 others were rescued when fire swept through a Panamanian bulk-carrier, the 40,000-ton *Bay Club*, in the Atlantic Ocean some 1,600 kms from Land's End off the southwest tip of England.

The coast guard here said the survivors,

whose nationality was not immediately known, were rescued from lifeboats by a British cargo ship, *Dart Atlantic*, which picked up the *Bay Club*'s May Day signal.

The *Bay Club* was hunkering Sunday night, the coast guard said, although its master had gone back on board from *The Dart Atlantic*. "We hope he's going to get off again, very smartly," said the spokesman, who asked not to be identified.

In the English Channel, dividing France and Britain, the 15-member crew of another Panamanian vessel, *The Schelling*, abandoned ship after it developed steering trouble and began listing in mountainous seas, the coast guard said.

By Australia, Papua New Guinea

Paris urged to free New Caledonia

CANBERRA, April 11 (AFP) — Australia and Papua New Guinea reaffirmed their support for independence of the French Pacific territory of New Caledonia during talks between the two governments over the weekend in Port Moresby.

In a joint communique issued after their meeting Sunday, Australian Foreign Minister Bill Hayden and Papua New Guinea Foreign Minister Rabbie L. Namaliu said that France should make an early commitment to independence as a goal for the territory.

Both ministers expressed their opposition to the testing of nuclear weapons in all environments and particularly the dumping or storage of radioactive waste in the Pacific Ocean. Hayden spent two days in Papua New Guinea meeting with that country's prime minister, Michael Somare, and foreign affairs officials following a round of talks in Indonesia.

He announced that the Australian government would make a special \$8.68 million grant to PNG "in recognition of the stern measures having to be taken immediately by Papua New Guinea" and pending consideration of a request for increased financial aid

from Australia. Papua New Guinea, which gained its independence from Australia in 1975, has asked that Australia reduce its annual budget aid more slowly than the agreed five percent.

The future of Commonwealth heads of government regional meetings was questioned by Hayden. He said that both he and the Australian prime minister, Bob Hawke, had wondered whether frequent Commonwealth regional meetings were the most effective way to promote regional affairs. He said there might be other means of facilitating high-level consultations in the region, principally through the South Pacific forum.

Namaliu said at a press conference Sunday that the cost estimates for holding the next conference in Port Moresby were causing concern and indicated that Papua New Guinea had agreed to host the conference on the suggestion of former Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser who had made "certain understandings." According to media reports, these "understandings" include motor vehicles, aircraft support, assistance for communications security and organizational arrangements.

Shipment of arms to C. America opposed

PANAMA CITY, April 11 (R) — The president of Colombia, Panama and Costa Rica called Sunday for the removal of all foreign military advisers from Central America.

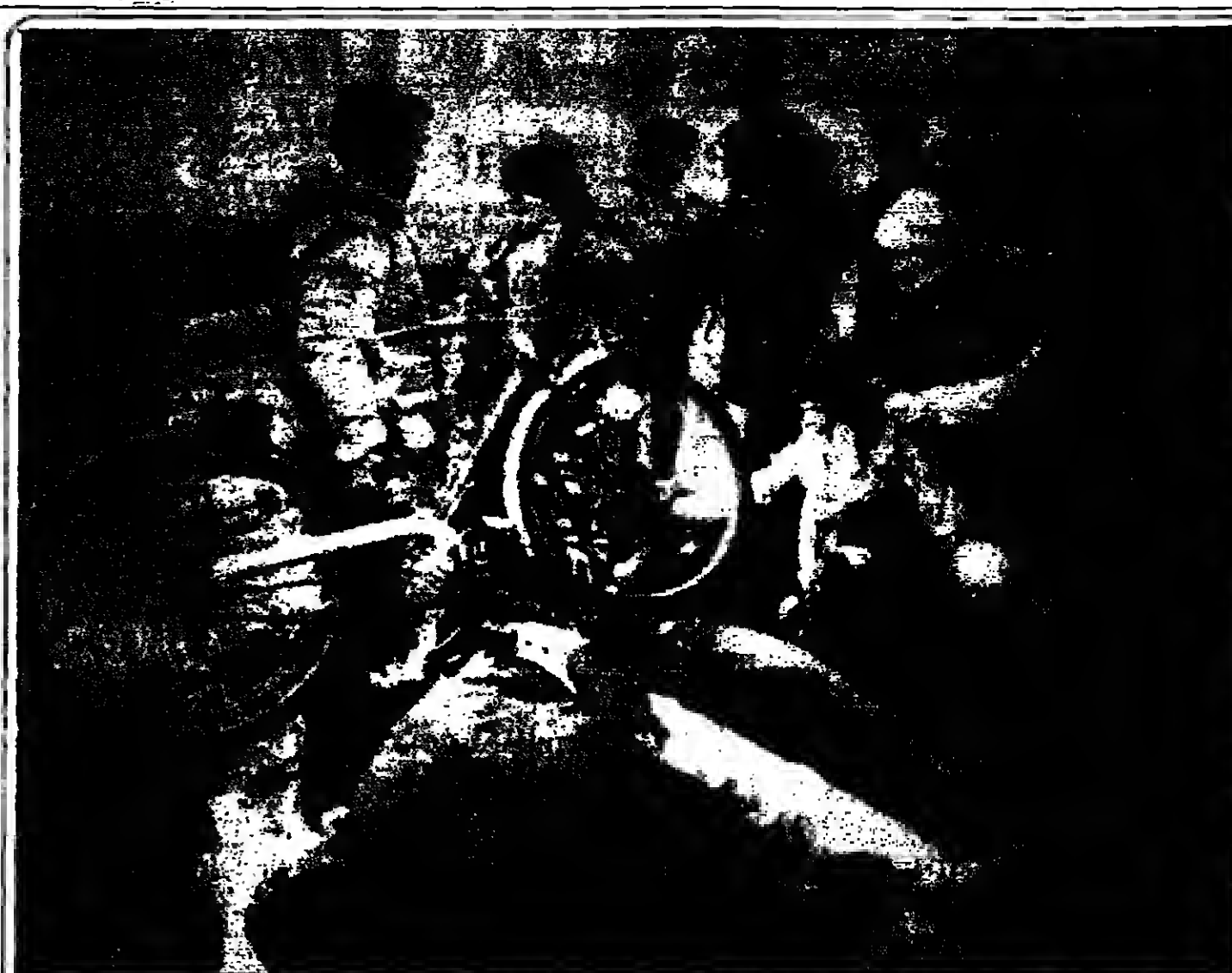
The appeal came after a five-hour meeting between Colombia's Belisario Betancur, Panama's Ricardo de la Espriella and Costa Rica's Luis Alberto Monge, Foreign Ministry officials said. The three leaders also urged countries, without naming them, to halt arms shipments to Central America which Betancur said averaged \$1 million worth a day.

Betancur was visiting Panama on the last leg of a three-day peace mission during which he had separate meetings with Mexican President Miguel De La Madrid and Venezuelan President Luis Herrera Campins. He said the foreign ministers of Colombia, Mexico, Venezuela and Panama were meeting in Panama City to agree on mechanisms to bring peace to Central America.

The four ministers signed a document in January calling for peace negotiations and an end to foreign intervention in the region.

Mexican officials said the statement was backed by six moderate and leftist Latin American nations — Cuba, Grenada, Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, Bolivia and Jamaica.

In Mexico, Betancur said he aimed to make the document acceptable to all conflicting parties in Latin America, but did not elaborate. De La Madrid said the combined peace efforts of Mexico, Colombia, Panama and Venezuela would probably yield "practical results" within the next few days. He gave no specifics.



NUCLEAR PROTESTERS: A police officer puts out an arm to help a worker lift his cycle over anti-nuclear protesters, some lying on the ground, as he tries to enter the Royal Ordnance Factory at Burghfield, which is the site of Britain's main nuclear factory. Anti-nuclear demonstrators have been forming human chains to protest the British nuclear policy.

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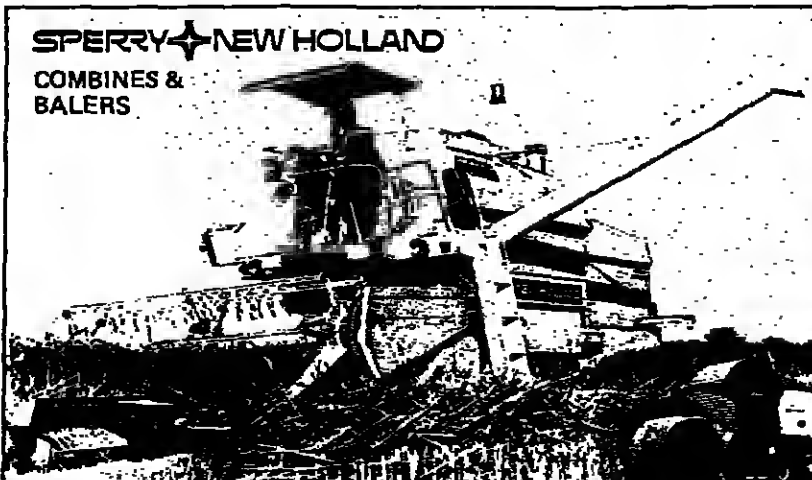
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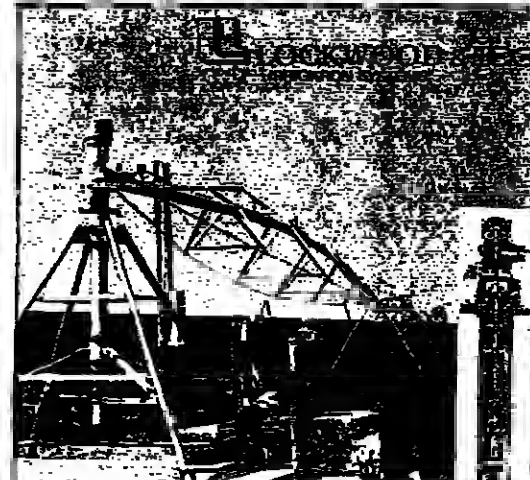
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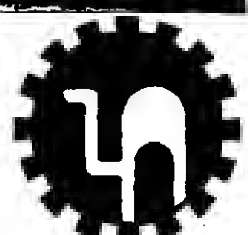


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Sorsa asked to head caretaker government

HELSINKI, April 11 (AFP) — President Mannerheim Monday asked Social Democratic Prime Minister Kalevi Sorsa to head a caretaker government, after members of Sorsa's center-left coalition formally submitted their resignations.

The resignation of the cabinet followed a general election last March 21, in which the Social Democrats confirmed their status as the country's largest party. For that reason, analysts say here, the new government should include the three current coalition parties —

the centrist-Liberal Party and the Swedish Language Party as well as the Social Democrats.

The analysts also say that Prime Minister Sorsa, 52, is the most probable candidate to head the new government. Among the leading rivals of his coalition are the Conservatives, who finished second in the March vote and have expressed interest in returning to government after a 17-year absence.

As a first step, President Mannerheim is meeting Monday with the leaders of all parliamentary groups. After that, the president may either appoint someone directly to form a new government, or, more likely to ask some one to offer suggestions as to which parties could form a coalition. Such suggestions would not necessarily come from the new prime minister.

In the elections, the outgoing coalition gained three seats in the 200-member parliament, giving them 106 seats. The Social Democrats increased their representation from 52 to 57 seats, remaining the largest group in the parliament.

Much of the political speculation around the coming government has centered on whether the Conservatives, in opposition for almost 20 years, will be included in it.

The centrist-Liberal Party has been giving indications of wanting to have the Conservatives as new partners in the new coalition government.

Jewelry stolen from Di's kin

LONDON, April 11 (Agencies) — Lady Ruth Fermoy, the maternal grandmother of Princess Diana, lost about \$375,000 in jewelry in a weekend burglary, police announced Monday.

A police spokesman said the burglars on Saturday night ransacked Lady Fermoy's Eaton Square apartment in the fashionable London district of Knightsbridge, leaving considerable damage.

The thieves, who managed to neutralize a sophisticated alarm system on the doors and windows of the ground-floor flat, took only valuable jewelry.

Charles tumbles from pony

SYDNEY, April 11 (AP) — Prince Charles tumbled off his polo pony in Sydney Sunday while 5,000 Australians looked on.

The prince slid down on his right side from his borrowed pony Apollo and landed heavily on his bottom. He said afterward he was "knocked off." Television film indicated he was unbalanced in going for a stroke as an opponent rode in close and that the two horses collided.

The other rider, Richard Walker, said the prince's remarks to him about it were less than friendly and the prince was "a little upset." Nobody likes to be knocked off his horse, and he exchanged a few words with me. But it was no more than anybody would

do in the situation," Walker told reporters.

In an impromptu speech afterward, the prince thanked "all those who have been brave enough to play on my side." He also thanked the opposition who "knocked me off my horse — with the accent on 'knocked off' for all those people who think I just fall off my horse all the time." Despite the fall, the prince's side won 6-5.

Charles had a fall on the same ground on the outskirts of Sydney two years ago. Princess Diana did not see her husband fall. She spent much of the day at Woomargama, the couple's tour base, with their baby Prince William.

By Australia

Tasmania protests spy flights

CANBERRA, April 11 (AFP) — Tasmanian Premier Robin Gray Monday protested against reconnaissance flights by an Australian Air Force Mirage jet over the Gordon-Below Franklin Dam site in southwest Tasmania, currently the subject of a high court legal battle between the state and federal governments.

In a letter to Prime Minister Bob Hawke, Gray said the flights were provocative, inflammatory and "entirely inappropriate."

Tasmanian plans for the dam have been condemned by ecologists across the world. Federal Attorney General Sen. Gareth Evans, who is helping formulate the

Australian government's legal case to stop work on the dam, said the new flights were being made to collect up-to-date evidence relating to the area. "Given the inaccessibility of the area involved, the difficulty of obtaining accurate information on progress on the dam and the desire to avoid direct confrontation, aerial photography was the preferred method," he said.

But Gray challenged the federal government to point to a precedent where the nation's defense forces "had been used to assist a lawsuit aimed at frustrating the expressed wishes of a state parliament."

BRIEFS

HONOLULU (AP) — Imee Marcos Manoto, eldest daughter of Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos, left Kapiolani Children's Medical Center Sunday, the day after she gave birth to a boy, a medical center nursing official confirmed.

CAPE TOWN (R) — Eight persons were killed and 26 were injured in fighting between rival groups at the crossroads black squatter camp near here, police said Monday. Some of the victims were believed to have been burned to death in fire which gutted shops, part of a primary school, and destroyed five vehicles.

LONDON (AFP) — The queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will attend the opening

stages of the Commonwealth heads of government conference in New Delhi in November. Buckingham Palace said Monday. Also the queen will visit Kenya from Nov. 10-14, Bangladesh from Nov. 14-17, and India from Nov. 17-26.

SHEFFIELD (AP) — Sam Wild, a leader of the British battalion of the international brigade in the Spanish Civil War, died Sunday in his sleep at his home in Sheffield, family death notices said Monday. He was 74.

WINDHOEK (AFP) — Security forces in Namibia shot and killed four armed SWAPO fighters in western Ovambo near the Angolan border Friday, the Southwest Africa Territory Forces announced here Sunday.

Irregularities alleged in Haiti elections

PORT-AU-PRINCE, April 11 (AFP) — The first municipal elections in Haiti in over a half-century Sunday were marked by charges of voting irregularities as hundreds of local candidates vied for posts as magistrates and city councilors.

A total of 36 towns in three departments of this Caribbean island republic were involved in the vote, the first in a series which will culminate next June with elections in the Haitian capital.

Accusations of rigging came from the town of Gonaives, Haiti's fourth largest, about 130 kms north of here, where local candidate Ferdinand Latortue said voter cards were being distributed in polling places 48 hours after registration had officially ended.

He also called on Haitian President Jean-Claude Duvalier to launch an inquiry into the actions of the former government-appointed mayor whom he accused of favoring a list that included the official's close relatives. There were no immediate returns from voting Sunday.

Analysts said the rigging charges were aimed at local candidates rather than the government, which was not directly threatened by Sunday's vote.

The island's sole opposition group, the Haitian Christian Democratic Party, had abstained from running candidates in any of the towns voting.

Voter participation varied, with some towns reporting high rates of abstention while, in others voters appeared more motivated. In Gonaives, with a population of 70,000, only 5,153 were said to have cast ballots Sunday.

The Haitian Christian Democratic Party is expected to field candidates in Cap-Haitien and Port-Au-Prince later this spring.

America denies plot to overthrow Rawlings

By Cameron Duodu

ACCRA, April 11 (LOS) — The United States has rejected as "irresponsible" the Ghana government's claims that the Central Intelligence Agency is aiding a conspiracy to oust Flight Lt. Jerry Rawlings.

The charges were made last week by Kojo Tsikata, head of the Ghanaian Security Service. He said that a "secret document" revealed how the CIA was recruiting "hundreds of mercenaries, who are assembling in a neighboring country for an imminent attack." The U.S. Embassy in Accra, capital of Ghana, called the document "a clumsy forgery containing many factual errors."

According to Tsikata, a retired army captain, the conspiracy was revealed when his department acquired a report from the German ambassador in Accra to his foreign ministry in Bonn, making an on-the-spot survey of political developments.

The "leader of the 'invasion army'" has

2 women held with heroin

SALONIKA, Greece, April 11 (AFP) — Two women of Soviet origin living in Western Europe were arrested Sunday at the Greek-Turkish border in possession of 4.5 kilos of heroin, police said here. They said the narcotics were worth about \$6.4 million.

Police identified the women as Marina Lobah, 48, a resident of Aachen, West Germany, and Libia Tekouina, 45, of Paris, but gave no further details.

According to the police report, the women were coming from Turkey and the heroin was hidden in their automobile.

War victims' relatives visit Falkland Islands

PORT SAN CARLOS, Falkland Islands, April 11 (R) — Relatives of Britain's Falklands war dead, visiting the scenes of last year's fighting with Argentina, mourned lost sons, husbands and fathers Monday in an emotional graveside function.

Many of the relatives, joined by islanders and garrison troops, wept as a memorial was dedicated to the 255 British dead. It stands near the spot where British troops first landed on the islands last May, beginning a three-week land battle to retake the South Atlantic colony.

The 541 relatives reached the islands Sunday from Montevideo aboard the liner *Canard* *Couesmes* after a four-day air and sea journey paid for mainly by the British government. All but a few of them took part in the ceremony on a windswept slope where 14 soldiers are buried. Others who stayed on board the ship will attend a function Tuesday in memory of those lost at sea.

Corsican bombs damage houses

AJACCIO, Corsica, April 11 (R) — Six bombs exploded in southern Corsica Monday, damaging apartments and houses owned by foreigners or people from mainland France, police said.

The explosions, in the small town of Gargese, caused no casualties. They were the latest in a wave of violence on the French Mediterranean island. There was no immediate claim of responsibility.

Last Thursday night, nine explosions damaged apartments and cars in Ajaccio, the Corsican capital. A 10th blast virtually destroyed a restaurant being built in Pietracorbara, near Bastia, northern Corsica.

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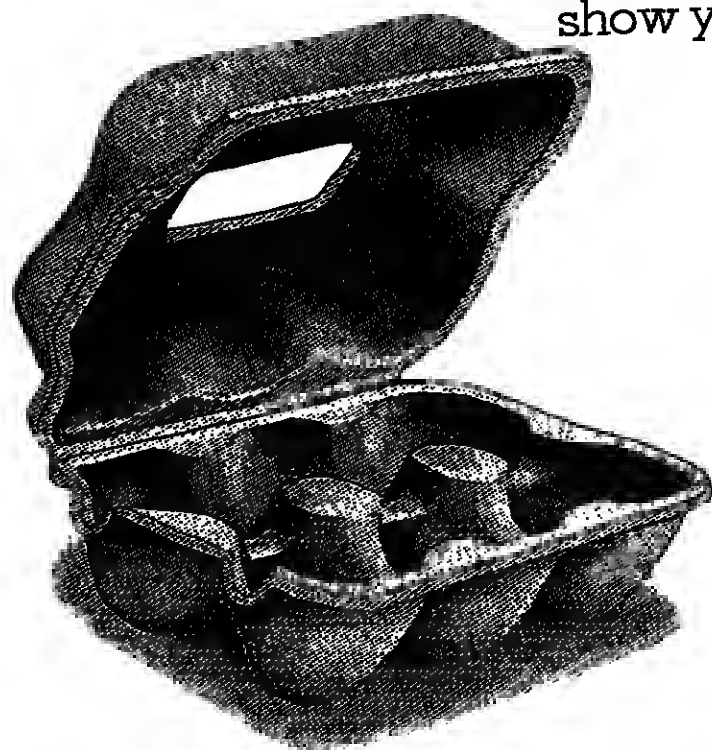
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After more than 18 years of arguing about how to obtain peace in the Middle East, and with Israel at the same time escalating its efforts to grab more and more Arab land, and at any cost, there was little doubt that Jordan would soon pull out of all negotiations.

King Hussein, in opting for this step, took a very strong position in which he indicated Jordan is tired of all the false negotiations and shuttling which provides an umbrella under which Israel is taking more and more land and becoming more and more aggressive. It appears that even Hussein has run out of patience, and is that really irrational when the track-record of all proposals shows that they have gotten nowhere while Israel continues its aggressive action, and with the help of several of its allies who "participate" in peace negotiations and at the same time pass on both financial and military aid to Israel?

Hussein, therefore, should be congratulated for having the guts to blatantly point out to everyone involved in previous negotiations that the only party which has gotten anywhere was the Fez summit. At the same time this move is a wise political step which removes Jordan from the middle of the controversy, where it did not want to be in the first place.

The infamous "Jordanian option" has been floating around for a number of years, but has always ignored the fact that in order to create a Palestinian state within Jordan would in effect perpetrate the same type of occupation which now exists on the occupied West Bank, with Jordan losing its own nationality and sovereignty in the process.

Hussein, being a wise politician, threw the problem right back where it belongs, and said that, while not threatening his own country, he would be glad to participate in constructive discussions with the Arab League and during the upcoming Arab summit which would work out a Middle East peace based on the question of obtaining legitimate rights of the Palestinian people. Thus he was able to jump from the pan to the side of the fire, without endangering his own country and, be bopes, without inciting Israel. Other negotiators are constantly leaping from one fire to another and never actually attempting to put it out.

In his vision, Hussein offered a number of tips about how a Middle East peace could be obtained by focusing ONLY on the central question: obtaining statehood for the Palestinians and at the same time putting a stop to Israeli aggression in the area. He implied correctly that any proposals, such as those which were previously made, which agree to compromise with Israel should be discarded as foolhardy and actually contributing to the no-war, no-peace situation which has already prevailed for too, too long.

Saudi Arabian press review

The Sartawi murder figured as the prominent subject of comment in the press Monday.

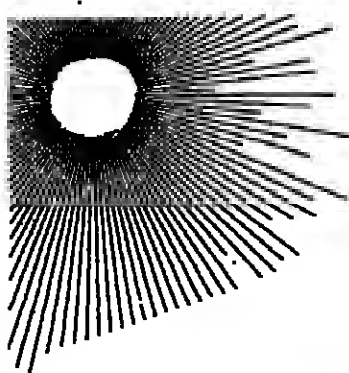
Al-Madina accused Israel of masterminding the assassination of Issam Sartawi, political adviser to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat in Portugal Sunday. "Terror will fail to stop the Palestinian military and political struggle," the paper said and warned that Sartawi's assassination will not be the last in a series of liquidation attempts against the Palestinian leaders.

The paper said assassination attempts and the deadlock in the peace process were all aimed at frustrating the Palestinian people and forcing them to opt for violent and extreme acts. Al-Yam said the fascist manner of Sartawi's assassination was "part of a new chain of the Zionist terrorist operations." It accused the Israeli intelligence agency, the "Mossad" of planning

the assassination to liquidate Palestinian elements which vowed to recover the dignity, honor and rights of the Palestinian people.

Al-Riyadh accused Mossad of killing Sartawi and said Israeli intelligence had succeeded to a large extent in its plans to liquidate Palestinian leaders. "Mossad agents few years ago invaded Beirut airport and located Palestinian leaders at their homes in the city and killed them," the paper said.

Al-Bilad said the next Arab summit has been convened at a time when the Zionist, Communist and imperialists are trying to undermine any Arab diplomatic or economic achievements. It said the summit would adopt an Arab comprehensive stand and decide on an Arab unanimous diplomatic move to realize Arab goals. (SPA)



Reagan at odds with Congress on foreign policy

By Richard Cohen

WASHINGTON —

President Reagan increasingly is finding himself at odds with Congress on key foreign policy issues. Conflicts will intensify in coming weeks as international pressures continue to heat up — especially over the lack of progress in arms negotiations with the Soviet Union, and the continuing struggle between leftists and rightists in Central America.

This week, for example, the Senate will have its long-postponed debate on Reagan's nomination of Kenneth L. Adelman to direct the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. Democrats plan to use the debate to draw public attention to the handling of arms talks in Geneva. They hope to defeat Adelman in the vote on Thursday.

The House will address similar issues when it resumes consideration Wednesday of the nuclear freeze proposal backed by most Democrats. In addition, House and Senate committees may issue their final recommendations on whether Reagan can give more aid to El Salvador.

Recently congressional actions signal a reversal in the generally placid reaction to Reagan's international policies since he took office. There is a growing sense among both Republicans and Democrats that Reagan is going his own way on foreign policy issues without paying adequate attention to the bipartisan consensus that has been sought since World War II. Although Congress has limited direct influence on some international matters, its oversight power helps it to disseminate information and shape public opinion on presidential actions.

The growing focus on foreign policy is an impor-

tant test for Reagan. Although the nation has not encountered a serious international crisis during his presidency, Reagan still may be victimized by his relative inexperience and apparent lack of broad interest in foreign affairs. His recent speeches on national security have led many, reportedly including senior White House advisers, to believe that he places too heavy an emphasis on military toughness and not enough on promoting harmony among nations.

Despite the conventional view that the public is not terribly concerned about what happens overseas — especially so long as American troops are not involved — President Carter was hurt politically in 1980 by events in Iran, Afghanistan and elsewhere because they left the impression that he was not firm enough.

Now many in Congress believe that Reagan has gone too far in the other direction. The hearing last week of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee by Reagan's arms control negotiators left senators pessimistic about a strategic arms agreement with the Soviets. Republicans did not echo the comments of Senate Minority Whip Alan Cranston, D-Calif., who said the administration had "bungled and blown the opportunity to have significant arms control." But nearly all sides voiced unhappiness with the stalemate and the likely consequence of a further build-up.

Rep. Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri, a leading House Democrat, voiced what may be a growing congressional theme when he said, "Reagan is out of tune with the country on defense policy." Previous presidents tried to construct a series of agree-

ments to stabilize the relationship between the United States and the Soviet Union and make nuclear war less probable. But the president has expressed a very different concept that we need a leap in technology to somehow make them impotent."

Thus, the Senate fight over Adelman's confirmation will focus very little on the nominee's qualifications and mostly on Reagan's decisions and policies in arms control. That is a departure from the tradition that a president is entitled to nominate officials embracing his views so long as each choice is competent and moral. Instead, some Democrats plan to use the Adelman selection to force a review and — in the long term — some change in the underlying policies.

A liberal political activist warned that these Democrats are taking a gamble and risk provoking a strong Reagan counterattack on both Adelman and the nuclear-freeze proposal. "Some Democrats are not confident about taking on the president on a war-peace issue, especially as the presidential campaign draws nearer," he cautioned.

The controversies about Reagan's policy in Central America are comparable cases in which congressional critics recognize American interests are at stake, but believe the administration has failed to address important concerns while advancing those aims. The criticism is not likely to cause an about face in the administration's handling of El Salvador or Nicaragua. But it could significantly limit Reagan's options and force some changes in those nations.

In El Salvador, most Republicans and Democrats who have closely examined Reagan's request for

\$50 million in immediate additional military assistance plus \$77 million for economic aid support at least some of the request. However, they want to attach conditions forcing improvements in that country's judicial system and encouraging discussions between the government and its adversaries.

The conflict between Reagan and Congress may become even more intense over Nicaragua, where the administration has made no secret of its unhappiness with the Sandinista government. News reports that anti-Sandinista rebels based in neighboring Honduras are receiving major U.S. covert support have not been explicitly denied.

This type of intelligence and other military aid could pose a direct clash with Congress over a law enacted last year. The measure prohibits the Pentagon or the Central Intelligence Agency from using any money to support groups or individuals who want to overthrow the Nicaraguan government or provoke military exchange between Nicaragua and Honduras.

Sen. Patrick J. Leahy, Democrat, a Senate Intelligence Committee member who prepared a confidential Senate report on Nicaragua following his visit there earlier this year, questioned last week whether the administration is "within the letter and the spirit of the law." The Senate committee plans to discuss the issue this week. Reagan and his associates may be able to finesse these continued congressional restrictions on his foreign policy actions. But these controls appear likely to increase and are a reminder to Reagan that, even if the domestic economy continues to improve, he can no longer expect a free ride from Congress. — (LAT)

Chilling disclosure of Japanese germ tests in World War II

By Peter McGill

TOKYO —

A book to be published in Tokyo this month provides chilling new evidence about Japanese germ warfare experiments on living people during World War II.

The disclosures will put new pressure on the Japanese government to investigate Unit 731, and the reasons why none of its several thousand staff was ever prosecuted for war crimes by the American occupation authorities after the war. Despite increasing documentary and oral evidence about 731's atrocities against Allied prisoners and Chinese civilians and claims that the United States agreed not to prosecute the unit's members in exchange for the results of their research, the Japanese government refuses to acknowledge that any such experiments were conducted.

In response to questions in the Japanese parliament about the affair the government took refuge in asking the United States and Britain for "clarification." A foreign Ministry official, Shiro Amaya, said this week Japan was told "there was and is no question of a cover-up concerning Japanese war crimes and no substance to the allegation that information was traded for immunity from prosecution."

Muscovites cherish nuclear freeze

By Charles J. Hanley

MOSCOW —

Mud, not missiles, troubles Muscovites in this month of torrential downpours. But just as in Dubuque, Iowa, or Dusseldorf, West Germany, the mention of a "nuclear freeze" can draw a quick nod from the ordinary Russian.

"Of course, it's the best idea, this freeze," said Yevgeny Dimitrovich, a craggy-faced carpenter window shopping on Kutusovskiy Prospekt. "More bombs won't help either you or us." The comment was typical among people questioned by an American reporter as they strolled this weekend on the broad, busy thoroughfares of central Moscow.

The Soviet population is bombarded each day with endless reports and commentaries in the official news media on the complexities of the U.S.-Soviet missile deadlock. Some grasp the details. Young radio technician Vitaly Shakov, for example, recited the Kremlin line on the issue of medium-range missiles in Europe: President Reagan's call for a cutback in Soviet rockets would mean "one-sided disarmament" by the Soviets, and U.S. aircraft should be counted in the nuclear equation.

But other office workers, students and craftsmen were as unfamiliar with the intricacies of warheads, throw-weights and first strikes as are most Americans. Instead, in this season of the great spring thaw, they are preoccupied with maneuvering through the Moscow mud and with angling for a good assignment in next Saturday's "Subbotnik," the annual spring cleanup when everyone volunteers a day's work as street-sweeper and trash-bauler.

Questions about the arms race could nonetheless turn the Muscovites talkative. There are two things they said they were sure of: the "goodness" of the American people, and the "common sense" of a nuclear freeze. "Ordinary Americans are a sym-

pathetic people, a good nation," said the tall, blond Shakov, 26. "We have nothing to divide us. We have the same skies over us."

Shakov and the others interviewed through an interpreter knew about the U.S. movement for a nuclear freeze — the proposed suspension of production and deployment of atomic weapons by both the United States and the Soviet Union. They said they liked it.

"I think it is a very, very reasonable idea," Irina Kovalenko said as she walked her small dog around puddles of a brick-strewn empty lot. "It's only common sense," she said. "And then in the future I think they should destroy all the weapons." Electrical worker Yuri Smirnov, 43, said he was convinced a freeze would work. "We in the Soviet Union for a long time have been talking about stopping the arms race," he said.

The Soviet government periodically proposes

freezes on deployment or production of weapons. Last year, then-President Leonid I. Brezhnev said the Western freeze movement's ideas were "close to the Soviet viewpoint."

When told the U.S. government opposes a freeze because it would preserve what Reagan has called Soviet nuclear superiority, Smirnov shook his head. "I don't believe America is behind us," he said. His friend Viktor Romashov interjected, "I think it has been proved a long time ago that the two countries are even in their nuclear armaments."

The 59-year-old Dimitrovich said: "In a modern war, everybody will be destroyed, both you and us. I remember when I was young, life was difficult here in Russia. But now it is not so bad for us. And what I wish is that we live and live and live."

"We Russians and Americans must not have war." (AP)

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dhahran-Hyderabad Flight

Sir,

In connection with the letter suggesting the introduction of a direct flight between Dhahran and Hyderabad (April 1) I would like to point out that Hyderabad, at the moment, is served with only a domestic airport. So instead of operating a flight between Dhahran and Hyderabad, it will be far better if a direct flight is started between Dhahran and Trivandrum or Dhahran and Madras. Both Trivandrum and Madras have international airports and as such should have a better claim to such flight.

Now the question is which of the two first. I would personally prefer Trivandrum although I myself belong to Madras. The flights to Madras may not go

full because of the rough and high-handed treatment the passengers get from the Madras customs officials. At the moment, flights from East Asian countries touch Madras but they have a very low occupancy, the reason being that most of the passengers avoid Madras even if it means traveling all the way to Bombay and then taking a domestic flight to Madras.

Moreover, there are better facilities at Trivandrum airport. The inter-city bus transport facility is frequently available at the airport. As against this, taxis are the means of transport between the airport and downtown Madras.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, April 12, the 102nd day of 1983. There are 263 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1545 — France's King Francis I orders massacre of Vaudois Protestants.

1606 — Union Jack becomes national flag of United Kingdom.

1621 — French forces under Louis XIII set out to crush Huguenot rebellion.

1654 — Ireland and Scotland are united with England.

1815 — Austria declares war on Joachim Murat, King of Naples, for occupying Rome.

1850 — French troops restore Pope Pius IX and occupy Rome.

1861 — U.S. Civil War starts as Confederate (South) take Fort Sumter in Charleston, South Carolina.

1918 — German forces take Armentieres, France, in World War I.

1957 — West German nuclear physicists refuse to cooperate in producing or testing of atomic weapons.

1961 — Soviet Union puts first man in space. Cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin makes a safe landing after one orbit of the earth.

1963 — First armed attack by Indonesian forces on Malaysia.

1966 — U.S. bombers carry out their first strikes against North Vietnam.

1980 — U.S. Olympic Committee votes to boycott Summer Olympic Games in Moscow in response to Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

Thought for today:

An honest man is the noblest work of God—Alexander Pope, English poet (1688-1744).

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Commemorating DNA discovery

Starsky and Hutch of the double helix

By Robin McKie

LONDON (LOS) — Thirty years ago this month, in a cramped laboratory in the ancient English university city of Cambridge, two young researchers put the finishing touches to a document that was to revolutionize the world of science.

The authors were Francis Crick and James Watson, and their paper, destined for publication in the journal *Nature*, outlined the first detailed map of the genes which control our bodies and actions.

"This structure has novel features which may be of considerable biological interest," they wrote. It remains one of science's greatest understatements.

The two scientists had shown that DNA (the substance from which our genes are made) was structured like a double helix — a spiral staircase of chemicals that determines how living cells grow. It was a feat that was to earn both men Nobel Prizes.

Before their discovery, scientists had only a vague notion about how bodies store infor-

mation which dictates height, eye and hair color, intelligence and most other attributes. With Crick and Watson, a biological revolution was set in motion — one that is about to alter our lives.

Thanks to an understanding of the double helix, scientists have been able to perfect tests that can pinpoint hereditary flaws in the unborn; others have genetically engineered bacteria to manufacture previously rare but valuable drugs; while some have shown that slight changes in DNA may soon explain the origins of cancer.

Yet in 1953, the discovery of the double helix made little impact. Neither Crick nor Watson recall any radio or newspaper coverage of their achievement. Indeed it has taken three decades; the publication of Watson's own racy account of their struggles, *The Double Helix*; and the undeniable impact of their discovery on medicine and industry to bring about proper appreciation.

A measure of this will be revealed on April 13 and 14 when scientists from all around the world gather in Cambridge to mark the

anniversary of Crick and Watson's success and to review recent developments.

This is how scientists honor great achievements. For the general public a far more extravagant commemoration is being prepared: Hollywood producer Laurence Bachman is planning to film *The Double Helix* — doing for Cambridge science what the hugely successful *Chariots of Fire* did for the university's athletes.

Certainly, the multimillion-dollar project would have undeniable cinematic attractions. It would have an American film star (to play the Chicago-born Watson); it would be set in romantic Cambridge; and it would dramatize a race fought by two unknowns against a much-fancied favorite, the renowned American scientist Linus Pauling, who was also chasing the secret of DNA.

It proved to be an adventure of "youthful arrogance", Watson recalls, and clearly upset many members of the scientific establishment of the period. Watson should not even have been in Britain, according to the terms of his U.S. grant, while Crick is revealed — through the pages of *The Double Helix* — as a brilliant but disruptive young man.

"I have never seen Francis Crick in a modest mood," states Watson in the book's opening sentence. The British scientist is also recorded as having a laugh "against which many dons would most certainly rebel if subjected to its shattering bang more than once a week."

Indeed, Crick's whole intrusive manner so antagonized his chief, Sir Lawrence Bragg, that the young scientist ran perilously close to expulsion from the Cavendish laboratory. This is not a very flattering picture, although Crick maintains it causes no offense. "I think the person who comes out worse from the book is Jim himself," he said last week.

Certainly any author who dismisses "a goodly number of scientists as not only narrow-minded and dull, but also just stupid" and who constantly describes female Cambridge students in derogative terms is nothing if not bold. In fact it is boldness which characterizes both researchers — they had a brassiness that led them directly to the heart of "the most golden of all molecules." To them DNA was "up for grabs" and with remarkable single-mindedness they began to move in on the cherished provinces of many a startled scientist.

One of these was Maurice Wilkins, of King's College, London, who also received a Nobel Prize for his experimental work which supported Crick and Watson's theory. To him, *The Double Helix* remains a "rather distasteful" work, principally because it so emphasizes competitiveness between scientists.

"Scientific endeavor is a communal and cooperative activity and only when others have set the stage can individuals make discoveries," he pointed out.

But whoever made the breakthrough, it would have remained a discovery of inestimable importance. Before 1953, scientists were not even sure what genes were made of. There was strong evidence that it was DNA (known properly as deoxyribonucleic acid) but not everyone was convinced.

As to unraveling its structure, that seemed absurdly ambitious to all but a few. Yet there

were clues, mainly from X-ray pictures of DNA crystals, water content readings and other data. These suggested a highly uniform, structure, perhaps a helix or spiral.

What Crick and Watson realized was that four special chemicals, known as bases, which are found in DNA could link together in pairs, like a ball and socket. There must be two helices, they deduced, joined together in parallel by the linked bases — a double helix, in fact.

It was a flash of inspiration of a true scientific vintage. Calculations quickly proved it correct and the two young researchers suddenly found themselves bound for glory, for they had revealed not just the structure of DNA; in the process they had uncovered the way in which life controls itself.

"In retrospect, it all seemed rather easy," says Watson. "Nor were we surprised about the impact of our work. We knew exactly what we had discovered."

Life is a process of cell division. As our bodies grow, cells divide to make new tissue. But how is this process controlled? The answer is provided by the double helix. At the heart of every cell in our bodies lie packets of DNA. We need a microscope to see them, although if unwound these DNA packets would stretch into yard-long gossamer strands of pure genetic material.

When a cell divides, so does the DNA double helix, one strand going to each fledgling cell. There it grows a mirror image of itself and the two new double helices control the growth of the new cells. They act as instruction manuals for chemical construction workers — called enzymes — to make material for the new cells.

But sometimes the double helix carries an error — as in hereditary diseases — and malformed cells are built. Thanks to Crick and Watson, scientists have learned how to pinpoint these mistakes.

At the moment we cannot put them right but we can advise parents if their unborn children will be affected. One day, say scientists, we will put these errors right and will be able to cure genetic disease.

Other parts of the helix have been found to control the making of important natural drugs — such as interferon, insulin and human growth hormone. Biologists can snip these parts out and put them into bacteria. Grown in vats, the bacteria then produce unlimited amounts of these previously rare drugs.

In fact, the consequences of Crick and Watson's discovery seem almost endless — in understanding cancer and most other areas of biology. Transferring that to the cinema screen would be an arduous undertaking.

Instead Bachman aims to produce a film that will demonstrate "the sheer excitement of carrying out basic research" rather than highlighting its implications. We may get a Starsky and Hutch of science, or we may witness some one like John Hurt elegantly unfolding the drama of those exciting days at Cambridge 30 years ago.

Today the two scientists remain good friends and both are carrying out their own research projects in the United States. A film — bad or good — could never dent their most famous achievement. Time is only likely to enhance it.



COUPONS: This cartoon which appeared in the Belgrade weekly *Ilustrovana Politika* illustrates the shortages of essential items in Yugoslavia. "Tell you, something is spooky here! Where did this character get the coupons of our city district?" — reads the legend of the cartoon as E.T. holds coupons to claim cooking oil and coffee.

Misery fails to kill Yugoslav optimism

By Larry Gerber

BELGRADE (AP) — Buying a home is out of the question, and there is little to buy so little reason to save, they say. But Mihailo and Gorica Djakovics say they are still optimistic, even though their country is going through some of the toughest times in its postwar history.

Under the 35-year rule of President Josip Broz Tito, families like the Djakovics grew up in prosperity that made this independent Communist nation a shopping delight for consumers from the neighboring Soviet bloc. But things have gone downhill since Tito's death nearly three years ago.

Like most families in Yugoslavia, the two 31-year-olds and their two children are caught in the grip of the economic troubles: inflation of 30 to 40 percent, shortages of consumer goods and restrictions on travel and buying as the government tries to cope with the problems.

"In the 31 years of my life, I never saw a (shopping) line for anything," Djakovic said in an interview. "It was terrible to see that."

Since Tito's death, some news media have become increasingly bold in exposing the country's problems. Last October, Prime Minister Milka Planinc revealed on national television that Yugoslavia owes about \$19 billion to Western creditors, making the country's debt one of the highest per capita in Eastern Europe.

Djakovic and other young Yugoslavs said they now realize their country lived for years on borrowed money, and they accept the need to cut back on imports of gasoline, coffee and other goods.

"Two or 15 years before, I remember, you could buy almost anything in the market ... But we never asked how it was possible. But now that is over and we must be realistic to live," he said.

"We went too far, so now we have to go back a little bit," Mrs. Djakovic said. With a four-bedroom apartment in downtown Belgrade and a combined annual income well above the \$3,000 national average for an individual, the Djakovics are fairly prosperous by local standards.

But the couple, with their children aged 2 and 4, share the flat with his parents and his grandmother, a situation that causes some pressures, said Mrs. Djakovic.

On work days, they are up at 5:30 a.m. to get the kids ready for kindergarten and to get to their office jobs. Djakovic, an attorney, works with foreign firms trading in leather, plastics and other Yugoslav goods. Mrs. Djakovic works at an export-import enter-

prise helping coordinate sales and distribution of a factory on the outskirts of Belgrade.

They said finding time for shopping was a minor problem before the local government introduced ration coupons for cooking oil, detergent and coffee. Now there are few queues, but there are still some shortages of medicine and other items.

Gasoline is also rationed to 40 liters per month, and even though the family has enough coupons to go by, "it is not a long-term solution," he said.

Before the children came, they were able to take vacations to Western Europe and the Soviet Union. Now, travel abroad is more difficult because of the children and because of new government austerity rules requiring a bank deposit of 5,000 dinars (about \$65 at the official rate) for each trip out of the country.

The amount increases for each subsequent trip. It is to be refunded at the end of each year, and the government says the unpopular measure is only temporary. But Djakovic said the family now vacations on Yugoslavia's Adriatic Coast.

At a cost of \$500 for two weeks, "it's still difficult to save the money," he said.

Long-term savings are out of the question. "Perhaps if I knew I could buy a villa somewhere, I would save," said Djakovic. "But we know we can't. So I would rather buy Italian shoes or shirts ... I have about \$300 saved, nothing more."

The Djakovics said they saw no need for major changes in the country's Communist system, which features a complicated government-by-committee that tries to unify a variety of often conflicting regional interests.

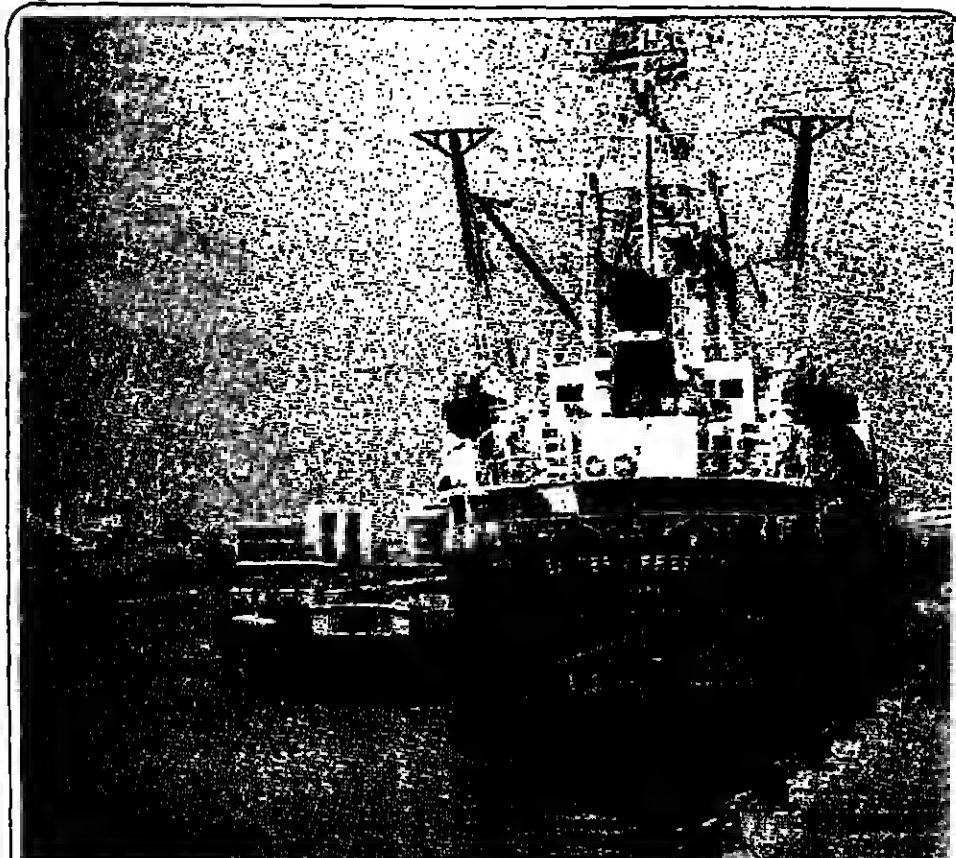
Nor were they interested in who is to blame for the economic woes.

"I don't think political change would do anything," Mrs. Djakovic said. "You see, a few people don't make a system. A few people go down, a few people go up. It doesn't change. The difference would have to be in our mentality."

"We used not to think much about the problems. We used to think 'Tito will take care of the problems.'"

Since the government provides a wide range of health care, education and housing benefits, savings are not as crucial here as in many Western countries.

"We always live for today, not thinking much for tomorrow," said Mrs. Djakovic. "We are still optimistic," she said. "Other nations wouldn't be so optimistic in our situation."



BUSTLING: A view of Bangkok's bustling Klong Toey harbor. The harbor is equipped to handle container and bulk cargoes.

Bangkok's life depends on learning to stay afloat

By Della Deenan

BANGKOK (LOS) — Bangkok is sinking four inches a year and could be entirely under water in 20 years' time.

The problem stems from the huge increase in population, which has doubled to more than five million in the last 10 years as a result of rural migrants looking for work. All the signs are that it will go on growing.

The government has been unable to supply enough piped water to keep pace with the growth, particularly in the fast-developing eastern sector of the city, so thousands of independent wells have been sunk. The well drain the swamp on which the city is built, and as the water is pumped out the ground level subsides.

Dr. Prinya Nutalaya, the geologist who led the latest investigation, said: "The situation could become so serious that in a few years' time residents will have to build dykes around their property, water supplies will be too polluted to use and buildings may start tilting."

The rate of subsidence has recently accelerated and one area is already nearly a foot below sea level. The thoughtless conversion of the city's canals, a natural drainage system, into roads has resulted in annual flooding which worsens every year.

The government has been sitting on proposals to arrest subsidence made by the National Environment Board a year ago. It called for a financial levy on well water and a ban on further drilling.

Bangkokians, who live in one of the noisiest, most polluted, traffic-choked, crime-ridden capitals in the world have responded to the scientists' warnings with their usual lack of concern.

At the approach of each monsoon and new

bout of flooding, bouscholders shore up their property with sandbags and erect storm barriers at their gates. Shops and restaurants build walls round their entrances to prevent flood water and sewage washing in. People resign themselves to wading knee-deep to work.

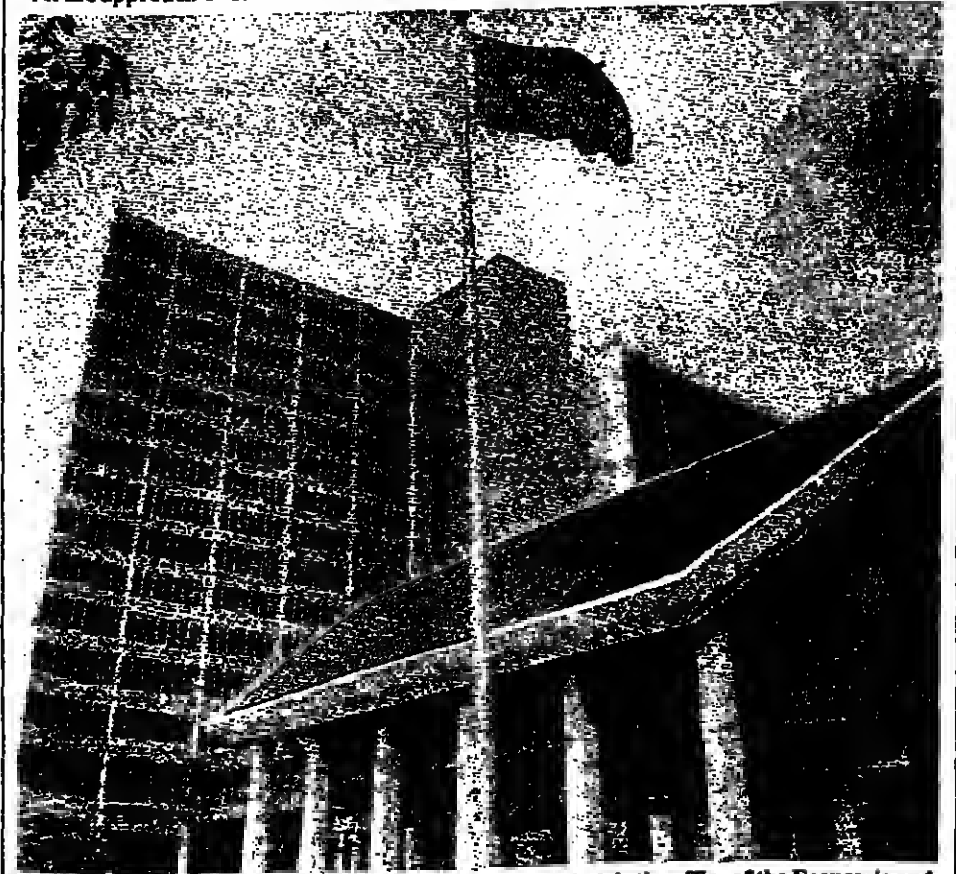
The movement of the soil causes buildings to crack open at ground level, leaving gaps of several inches which are ineffectively bricked in every few months. Last month a hole three feet wide appeared in the middle of Rama Four, a main road, causing a string of motor-bike and car accidents.

"In the 1950s Bangkok was sinking at only a fraction of an inch because the population was less than two million and no one used underground water," said Dr. Prinya. "Today the city is expanding so fast the water board can only supply half the inhabitants with tap water."

Ten thousand wells have been sunk, many of them in new housing and industrial estates in the east of the city. The government is hesitant to put controls on underground water when there is no alternative source. Aid donors approached for funds to develop piped water supplies, at an estimated cost of \$350 million, insist the government should first impose urban planning and curb the use of well water.

"Each year the city subsidizes further and flood control measures become more expensive and more ineffective," said Dr. Prinya. "We should be thinking of long-term prevention, not short-term cures."

He blames the situation on technical and administrative mismanagement and says that, with elections due in June, the government is unlikely to act in the near future.



HEADQUARTERS: One of the finest buildings in Bangkok is the office of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific of which the Thai capital is the headquarters.

Why some fear police

By Arjuna

MANILA (Dophtnews) — It was early afternoon. The messenger was just a few meters away from the office returning from an errand to the bank when the burly man came at him frontally at a half-run. The man throw a right cross that landed on the messenger's left jaw. As the messenger was falling backward on the sidewalk as a result of the blow, the man grabbed the mini postman's leather bag he was carrying and sprinted away, jumping onto a passing bus.

The sudden attack stunned the messenger, a young man. But he quickly recovered his wits and ran after the bus carrying the robber. The messenger shouted at the passengers that the man who got on board was a robber. The man reacted by jumping off the bus and coming back at the messenger and pulling from a hip pocket what looked like a dagger. The messenger backed away, and the robber made his escape on foot.

The robbery, which took place on what was formerly a quiet street in a formerly ritzy neighborhood of Manila (the Malate district) was witnessed by several people, among them a crew of the city's monopoly telephone company. Not one of the witnesses lifted the proverbial finger to help the messenger.

In the bag snatched by the robber were the pay envelopes of a dozen employees, personnel of an international media outfit based in Manila. The money represented salaries of the employees for the last fortnight of February. The messenger had gone to the bank to cash paychecks of the employees. It was part of his routine during paydays.

When shock over the incident somewhat tapered down, lamentation of the employees over their lost pay almost equalled that of the victimized messenger. This was when thought of getting police help came to the victims.

Since the amount taken was high, jurisdiction over the case went to the theft and robbery section of the Manila police. The complainant and his companion went to the section to register the complaint. Two stalwarts of the section took over the case and what happened afterward explains why the crime situation is that way in Manila today and why not a few Manilans look upon a policeman's uniform in the same manner as a person who perceives a near threat to his or her wellbeing.

Instead of the usual routine questioning about details of the crime the investigators immediately came up with the bright idea that the office messenger was their prime suspect in the case. Acting on such an "investigator's hunch," they proceeded to give the messenger the "treatment" in one of the many backrooms of the police headquarters. The treatment? It was the plain

old watercure with a few kicks in the head and body to boot.

The torture did not last for long. The messenger even offered the cops that he would admit all the crimes committed in Manila that day. But the cops were prevented from stamping "solved" on the case. Co-employees of the messenger went to headquarters to find out why registering a robbery complaint lasted from early afternoon to the early evening hours.

When the co-employees asked to see the messenger, they were given the runaround by the investigators. One said he did not know while another came up with antics to clearly show he does not believe that his paychecks come from taxes paid by the citizens. This latter worthy even insulted the women co-employees of the messenger.

It was only when another employee, wise to the ways of the police, showed up at headquarters bringing along a lawyer friend. The lawyer knew how to talk the language of the police, and the investigators finally produced the young man who tearfully told his co-employees of the second disaster that befell him.

The employees demanded to know why a plain citizen who went to the police to register a robbery complaint should end up as a torture victim. The policemen present, whose duties include protecting rights of citizens, said there were alleged inconsistencies in the boy's statement. That evening a group of Manilans left police headquarters with a clearly defined opinion about policemen.

DEPRESSION AND SUICIDE

Dear Dr. Steinkrahn: I'm not bringing up a welcome subject, but I presume no medical subject is cause for hilarity. My cousin, a woman of 44, tried to commit suicide last month by taking pills. Fortunately, she was saved. She had been quite depressed for about a month or two, but refused to see our doctor. She's still depressed. Don't you think it's important that she be under special observation before she tries suicide again? — Mr. V.

Dear Mr. V.: As the member of one family with a similar problem put it, "depression and suicide go together like ham and eggs or franks and beans." Yes, not being under medical attention, your cousin is a "high risk." Especially, since her depression has deepened.

At a recent meeting of the American Academy of Family Practice in San Francisco, doctors were warned that suicide is "the most serious potential complication of depression." Most likely to commit suicide are men over 45, widowed, divorced or lonely, and those who take alcohol or drugs or have had a recent loss. Early diagnosis of depression is essential followed by treatment: antidepressant medication, psychotherapy, and in certain instances, electroconvulsive therapy.

Typical symptoms of depression include depressed mood, sleep disturbances, loss of appetite and weight loss, and fatigue, also inability to concentrate and make decision, especially between

the ages of 45-55. But it's increasing in the 30's. I suggest, Mr. V., that you make every effort to find medical support for your cousin.

MEDICALETTES

(Replies to and from readers):

Dear Dr. Steinkrahn: I've had trouble with my nails as long as I can remember. At last I tried an old, recommended remedy — gelatin. After taking it for about a month, I'm sure that my nails are much healthier looking. A friend of mine with similar trouble refuses to take gelatin. She says her doctor doesn't believe in it. Do you? — Mrs. H.

Dear Mrs. H.: I've had several patients tell me that they got good results with gelatin. But the majority who used it found no improvement. I guess the reason your friend's doctor doesn't believe in it — and I question its value — is that there are no scientific medical studies which prove that it is helpful.

For Mrs. S.: Some recent experiences indicate that measles vaccinations are more effective when given after the age of 1 — preferably at about 15 months of age. Vaccination after the first birthday, according to Paul Brennan, Center of Disease Control public health adviser, has proven to be 95-97 percent effective.

(Tomorrow: Medicine for high blood pressure)

Dr. Peter J. Steinkrahn M.D., F.A.C.P.

Economic recovery slow but steady

U.S. predicts better days ahead

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AFP) — The tentative economic recovery noted in the United States so far this year seems to have run out of steam for the moment.

Government experts now warn that the upturn will be slow and that the growth curve may well be saw-toothed in shape.

Even so, analysts are tending to look on the bright side. The government, for example, now forecasts that gross national product (GNP) will this year grow by 4.7 percent rather than the 3.1 percent projected earlier.

Another straw in the wind is provided by the Conference Board, the private business research body. Its consumer confidence index (base 100 some 13 years ago) rose to 81.2 in March from 65.8 in February.

One of the top banks said that economic prospects so far this year have neither improved nor worsened to any marked extent. But it predicted that both expansion

and inflation will be around five percent this year.

A plateau phenomenon is now occurring in several sectors. Industrial output is believed to have risen 0.5 percent in March against 0.3 percent in February and a much better 1.3 percent in January.

Car sales in the first quarter were 3.6 percent better than a year earlier, but the trend is hardly buoyant. Industry executives do not exclude a reining-in of production.

Steel firms, operating at an overall 50 percent of capacity, say business remains sluggish. There was an improvement in January and February, but orders are again pointing down. The oil industry, still affected by slack energy demand, did one-fifth less exploratory drilling in the first quarter.

Meanwhile, more generally, there is still no sign of a significant rise in consumer buying. Personal incomes are stagnant due to high unemployment of 10.3 percent in March

against 10.4 percent in the previous two months. An improvement is expected from July when a 10 percent cut in income tax ratings comes into force.

Many economists affirm that recovery largely depends on how interest rates move. These rates in turn depend on the budget deficit and the government use of the capital market to finance it, and also on the Federal Reserve Board's monetary policy.

The budget shortfall of some \$200 billion will be hard to reduce, it is generally believed. All eyes are on the Federal Reserve Board, which has to reconcile two opposing requirements that emerge at a certain threshold of economic activity.

It has to ensure that the liquidity in the economy is sufficient to warrant a drop in the cost of borrowing money. But at the same time this liquidity must be kept in check to avoid triggering another round of inflation.

Japan to lend Jamaica \$25m

KINGSTON, April 11 (AFP) — Jamaica has concluded a \$25 million loan agreement with Japan to implement a 3,500-acre coffee development project here for western Jamaica's Blue Mountain coffee.

Officials said the loan, over 25 years with an annual interest rate of 4.5 percent and a seven year grace period, would come from Japan's Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund.

The overall cost of the project is \$45 million, of which the Jamaican government will provide \$20 million over five years, they said.

Jamaican Premier Edward Seaga said the project was scheduled to begin by the end of the year. Planting would take place over five years and commercial reaping was expected in the fourth year after planting.

Rolls-Royce bonus for U.S. buyers

LYNEHURST, New Jersey, April 11 (R) — Rolls-Royce announced Sunday that the cost of its cars in the United States had dropped between \$14,000 and \$18,000 because of the dollar's rise against the pound sterling.

The Silver Spirit is down from \$111,000 to \$93,000, and the long-wheelbase model Silver Spur has dropped from \$119,000 to \$103,000.

George W. Lewis, President of Rolls-Royce Motors in America said the recent rise in the value of the dollar had generated a currency exchange advantage, "which we consider should be given to our buyers."



SMALLEST MOTOR FACTORY: "Small is beautiful" is said to be the fact for this motor factory that specializes in producing mini-cars. Here at Wittenbach, West Germany, engineer A.W. Fries, with 4 colleagues, manufactures a "Mini-mobile" that is fast gaining popularity. The hand made 2-seater described as a "shopping bag on wheels" is easily parked and can even be manually lifted. The vehicle with its top speed of 25 km. per hour travels 100 km on only 3 liters of petrol.

Sale of agricultural products U.S. eyes ASEAN markets

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AFP) — The United States is increasingly eager to sell to the countries in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), *The Foreign Agriculture Magazine* said Monday.

ASEAN, consisting of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand, is "the fastest growing market area in the world," it said.

The magazine added: "As a group the five members of ASEAN are already a \$1 billion plus market for U.S. agricultural products...the market is now about as big as the Canadian and U.S. markets combined, and is more than double that of Japan, the largest U.S. overseas agricultural market."

The publication said the purchasing power of ASEAN was "perhaps the greatest in the whole of Asia...growth in the member countries' gross domestic products ranged from 5.5 percent in the Philippines and Thailand to over 10 percent in Singapore in 1981."

Japan's monetary expert to visit U.S.

TOKYO, April 11 (AFP) — Japan will send a senior monetary expert to Washington on Wednesday for talks on concerted intervention in foreign exchange markets by major industrialized countries to ensure currency stability, government sources said Monday.

Kiichi Watanabe, deputy finance minister for international affairs, would meet Beryl Sprinkel, U.S. treasury undersecretary for monetary affairs, to coordinate the two governments' views on concerted intervention ahead of a finance minister's meeting of seven major industrial nations in Washington at the end of this month.

U.S. farm exports to ASEAN have risen steadily over the years and in 1983 should reach \$1.24 billion. Main items shipped there were wheat, cotton, tobacco, soybeans and animal fodder.

The region was expanding twice as fast as the industrialized countries. Its abundant natural resources included petroleum, rubber, tin, timber, rice, sugar, palm oil and coconut product.

The magazine noted, however: "The ASEAN nations sit virtually on the doorstep of Australia and New Zealand, two of the hottest U.S. competitors in world agriculture markets...Consequently U.S. success in the ASEAN market is highly dependent on its price competitiveness and on the ability of U.S. suppliers to meet the special needs of each individual country."

Kuwait says 'no' to Gulf Oil's offer

KUWAIT, April 11 (AP) — Kuwait is not interested in buying — at least for the time being — the British refineries and petrol stations being offered by Gulf Oil.

Officials of the Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) said Sunday that the two other purchase of Gulf Oil's European assets still have to be absorbed. "We can only do so many things at the same time," said one high ranking company official.

The British package would have to be studied internally first, which would probably take a matter of months, said the officials. KPC's attitude toward a further downstream deal would of course depend on the price the assets were offered, and whether they fitted into the growing European network. The Kuwait Petroleum Corporation already owns some 1,600 gas stations in four European countries and three refineries. Those assets

BA launches worldwide image drive

LONDON, April 11 (R) — State-owned British Airways dubbed itself the world's favorite airline in a new worldwide advertising campaign costing 25 million sterling (\$37 million) in its first year.

The drive was launched with a six-minute television commercial which showed samples of new commercials which Chairman Sir John King said would be shown in 30 countries.

British Airways' new slogan "the world's favorite airline," created by London-based agency Saatchi and Saatchi, is based on its claim to carry more international passengers to more countries than any other carrier, an airline spokesman said.

The airline currently carries about 16 million people annually to about 70 countries. Several American airlines fly twice that number and the Soviet state Aeroflot system takes more than 100 million, but the bulk are carried internally.

British Airways has trimmed staff from 59,000 to 35,000 in a cost-cutting drive to bring the airline back to profits and fit for sale to private investors. It is believed by aviation industry commentators to have made around 60 million sterling (\$90 million, net profits in the year up to last month.

France to follow 'no strings' policy

PARIS, April 11 (AFP) — President Francois Mitterrand, in an interview with a daily newspaper here, said that France had no intention of taking "protectionist measures against anyone, like some countries, which do so without admitting it."

He told *Le Monde* de Paris that: "The United States for example...insists that its goods be loaded only on American ships." "It is also the case in numerous spheres with West Germany and Britain." "France will be more and more watchful over these practices, but only in self-defense," he said.

"There is a great need to come into the open as soon as possible, in other words to stop hiding, the total of devices which exist, at present, between countries which claim, hypocritically, there is free trade between them."

are capable of absorbing up to 150,000 barrels daily of Kuwait's crude production.

The Kuwaitis may however be more interested in the Catalytic plant rather than the aging refinery which goes with it. The Mulford Haven Refinery is more than 20 years old, whereas the plant is virtually new.

Kuwait is still paying for its other European deals with Gulf. The country's oil minister, Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al Sabah, revealed over the weekend that production had gone up to 900,000 barrels daily since the OPEC accord. Before the London agreement, which gave Kuwait a production quota of 1.05 million barrels daily, output was standing at only 700,000 barrels daily.

However, senior officials at KPC indicated that a large portion of this increase was accounted for by crude and products payments being made to Gulf.

IFAD's fate hangs in balance

LONDON, April 11 (ONS) — One of the youngest and most cost-effective food aid organizations has survived a conflict over funding but its future is still in doubt.

The International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), a United Nations bank seeking to improve the productivity of poor peasants in the developing regions, is threatened by a prolonged controversy among sponsor nations about sharing its running costs. A timely compromise by a Senate subcommittee in Washington has only postponed the issue.

IFAD was established in 1977 as an outgrowth of the 1974 World Food Conference.

The United States was a key initiator of the fund, pledging the lion's share of its costs on condition that other rich countries also contribute in proportion — which they have failed to do.

Indian Airlines records \$11m gain

NEW DELHI, April 11 (AFP) — The domestic Indian Airlines carrier announced net profits of 113 million rupees (\$11.3 million) for 1981-82, up from 24 million rupees (\$2.4 million) the previous year.

The increase partly reflects a passenger increase, with 6.1 million people compared to 5.4 million the previous year — an increase of 14.2 percent — the airline said.

The airline's annual report released Sunday said cargo also increased to 71,485 tons against 58,321 the previous year. Foreign exchange earnings also rose from 754 million rupees (\$75.4 million) to 1,044 billion (\$104.4 million) in 1981-82.

Most IFAD loans are provided on highly concessional terms (1 percent service charge and 50-year maturity, including a 10-year period of grace).

In Uganda, it has raised funds for agricultural and fisheries development in several severely depressed regions. In the Philippines, it is aiding a program for the development of dairy industries.

In Pakistan, it sponsors a water management improvement scheme which is to benefit more than 100,000 farming households and to generate substantial additional employment.

One reason for the operational success of the U.N. fund is the constitutional two-thirds majority held by the developing countries on its governing council and executive board.

But that is also a curse in disguise. It gives the developing countries a greater say in the policies adopted by the U.N. fund, indirectly affecting their economies, than they have in the decisions of organizations like the World Bank, where the controlling vote is weighted according to the size of financial contributions. The unusual power structure of IFAD has thus become a constant irritant, leading to mounting resentment from some industrialized countries.

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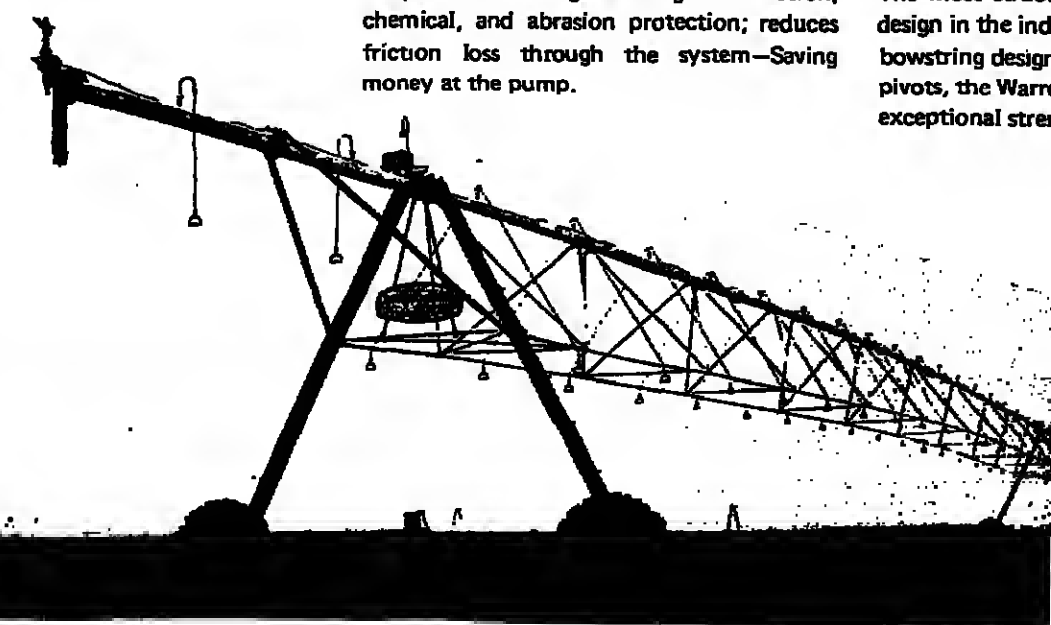
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Calls for change

3rd World plays economic system

BUENOS AIRES, April 11 (AFP) — The Third World has roundly condemned the international economic system for its role in the current international crisis and called for its replacement by a new world economic order.

At the end of a two-week conference here, the Group of 77, set up by developing nations in 1964 and now comprising 125-member states, concluded that the token prices paid for raw materials, tariff barriers, high interest rates, inflation, growing indebtedness and unemployment have brought the developing world to its present critical state.

The meeting was held to prepare a series of proposals for next June's United Nations trade and development conference in Belgrade, and was attended by delegates from developing African, Asian and Latin American countries, as well as from China, Yugoslavia and Romania.

Conference Chairman Juan Aguirre Larrauri, the Argentine foreign minister, said the same chronicle of woes would be repeated at the U.N. conference in Belgrade, and condemned as a source of potential chaos on world markets.

But independent experts attending the Group of 77 meeting Sunday expressed doubts on the influence of the developing world at the U.N. conference.

"The final decision rests with those who hold economic power and, given present circumstances, it is to be feared that the developed north may well respond negatively," one expert said, quoted by the independent news agency Noticias Argentinas.

Contrary to expectations, the concrete solutions which the Third World will propose to

the developed nations in Belgrade were not detailed in a clear resolution, and were directly or indirectly set out in the various documents approved at the conference's final session Saturday.

The recommendations largely concern raw materials and call for a common fund to be set up, the strengthening of markets, marketing and transportation, and a review of protectionist measures applied by the industrialized countries.

The Third World will tell its rich partners in the north and the socialist bloc that it wants a complete restructuring of the present financial system. This point has drawn even greater skepticism from experts.

One monetary source noted that the monetary and financial system set up in accordance to the Bretton Woods agreement after World War II serves the rich countries. But he added that any decision aiming to reform these structures would also hinge on the interests of the developed world, which would defeat the object of the reform proposed.

U.K.'s oil price cut confirmed

LONDON, April 11 (AP) — The state-owned British National Oil Corp. announced Monday that its proposed lower contract prices for North Sea crude oil had been accepted by its major suppliers and customers.

The new official benchmark price is \$30 a barrel, retroactive to March 1, down from \$30.50 for the month of February and \$33.50 before that.

The announcement ended nearly two months of uncertainty, during which the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Coun-

tries (OPEC) held a 12-day emergency summit in London amid fears of a global price war.

BNOC took a calculated risk of sparking such a war by announcing on Feb. 18 that it wanted to cut its benchmark price for Brent Field oil from \$33.50 to \$30.50 a barrel. It did so because of world oil glut and sharply reduced spot market prices.

Britain's direct rival, Nigeria, an OPEC member, responded by cutting its price to \$30 and other OPEC members to \$29 on March 14. Some analysts forecast that amid a world oil glut, prices could plummet to \$20.

Fears that Nigeria would match BNOC's proposed 50-cent cut to \$30 for Brent Oil have now receded.

BNOC said "an overwhelming majority of suppliers and customers" had approved the new price structure, in which many grades of North Sea crude will sell for \$29.75 a barrel and one low-quality grade will fetch as little as \$28.80.

A spokesman said the response from major oil companies was "sufficient to confirm" the new contract prices.

However, some smaller oil companies have balked at the prices and retroactive dating. BNOC said it is "pressing" those few outstanding suppliers and customers for approval. Industry sources said continued disagreement could lead to arbitration by an independent oil expert.

FAO urges emergency food stocks

ROME, April 11 (R) — The head of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) is pressing for an enlargement of emergency stocks to guard against a possible world food crisis, FAO officials said Monday.

FAO Director-General Edouard Saouma is also urging U.N. member states, due to attend a meeting on world food security in Rome starting Wednesday, to consider a far-reaching plan aimed at removing the threat of hunger.

In a report prepared for the one-week meeting at FAO headquarters, Saouma said he could not exclude the possibility of a cyclical reduction in supplies and a repeat of the 1972-74 world food crisis. This could happen if food stocks ran down over a period of two or three years with production shortfalls.

In the 1970s crisis, the combination of food shortages and rising energy costs had severe short-term effects on the economies of many developing countries, heralding an era of unstable supplies and prices, the FAO director said.

In his report Saouma recommended raising the international emergency food reserve to two million tons from 500,000 tons and giving it a cash fund to buy relief supplies when needed.

Saouma said security of food supplies was the biggest problem facing the world, but the solution required a consensus of all donor countries.

Egypt, Jordan discuss trade

CAIRO, April 11 (AP) — Egypt and Jordan on Sunday started talks aimed at increasing mutual trade which Jordan banned when it severed diplomatic ties with the Cairo government following its 1979 peace treaty with Israel.

This was seen as yet another sign of improving relations between the two countries. Contacts between Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Jordan's King Hussein increased considerably after the Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

Both leaders have expressed optimism that relations will be restored soon. Presently in Cairo is Hussein's younger brother, Prince Muhammad, who is the highest-ranking Jordanian to visit Egypt since Jordan and 16 other Arab states severed relations with Egypt.

Talks between the two sides during the next few days will study the possibility of increasing trade between the two countries and exporting Egyptian products to Jordan. Economy Undersecretary Ahmad Wafaed-din said following the first round of talks. His comments were carried by the official Middle East News Agency.

Denmark may grant \$23.5m to India

COPENHAGEN, April 11 (AP) — The Foreign Ministry asked permission Monday to grant Denmark's largest interest-free development loan ever, 200 million kroner (\$23.5 million), for two projects in India. It also asked parliament's finance committee for 160 million kroner (\$18.6 million) for projects in Senegal, the largest Danish loan to date to that country.

Daouda, the Foreign Ministry's development aid agency, announced that it previously has loaned India 545 million kroner (\$63.4 million) in eight loans. The most recent one was 150 million kroner (\$17.4 million) for a fishery and oceanographic research ship currently under construction in Denmark.

The new amount is earmarked for a refuse-burning plant with a 300-ton daily capacity in New Delhi and for a synthetic fertilizer plant in Bombay.

Financial Roundup

Dollar tastes mixed fortune

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, April 11 — The dollar opened strong in mixed on the Monday European markets but the British pound made another one of those remarkable rallies to trade at 1.5250 levels compared to 1.5185 on Friday. Eurodollar deposit rates were generally easier but longer-dated dollar deposits were well traded at just under the 10 percent level.

On the bullion markets, the week opened with European dealers taking both gold and silver prices above their weekend closing New York levels. Gold went to \$427.50 an ounce, while silver prices rose sharply to \$11.20 at one stage — a remarkable 23 cent rise over Friday levels. Trading was generally erratic and nervous and characterized by profit-taking throughout the session but some strong demand for bullion from Europe underpinned prices.

The temporary suspension of the Middle East Jordanian-PLO dialogue was acted as one factor for a slight rise in bullion prices but dealers said demand was mostly from short position covering.

In the Eurodollar markets, dollar deposit rates eased by around 1/8 percent to take the shorter tenors to 9 3/16 percent levels but longer-dated funds were still firm at 9 1/4 - 9 1/2 percent levels for the one-year level.

The European markets were surprisingly calm on the money markets given the weekend news of the larger than expected fall in the weekly U.S. money supply figures. Traders were still pinning their hope on a continuing firmness in the Federal Reserve "Fed fund" prime lending rate which had dipped to below the 9 percent level on Friday night in New York.

On the exchange markets, the British pound continued to rally Monday but the extent of the rally took dealers by surprise. The pound was still underpinned by favorable oil related news and relatively firm sterling interest rates despite rumors of a

cut in the British base lending rates.

The German mark was easier at 2.4180 levels after the news that German net currency reserves had fallen by 5 billion marks in March to take total currency reserves to 79.9 billion marks. This sharp drop contrasted in an 800 million mark surplus in February.

The Swiss franc was however, stronger at 2.0480 levels despite the news of a 0.2 percent rise in the Swiss consumer price index in the month of March compared to a 0.1 percent rise in February. The Swiss annual inflation rate is still under the 5 percent level at 4.8 percent.

In the other currency news, the French franc was stable at 7.2550 levels compared to 7.2780 on Friday and with little European central bank support for the franc within the European Monetary System. The Japanese yen was mixed at 238.90 levels, little changed over Friday closing prices.

The domestic markets continued to experience liquidity injections and rates fell by around 1/4 percent in the short-dated funds. Week-fixed dollar deposit rates were quoted at 7 1/2 - 8 percent levels, while the one-month JIBOR traded lower at the 8 1/4 - 8 3/4 percent compared to 8 1/2 - 9 1/4 percent a few days ago.

Longer-dated funds, especially over the six-month tenor, were hardly dealt, and fell in dollar deposit rates came as a surprise to most Jeddah bankers since they had feared that rates might be on the upturn after the sharp mid-week rises seen last week. Despite the falls, the local exchanges were extremely lively and spot dollar / dollar rates rose to a record 3.4515-25 at one stage from 3.4508-12 opening rates.

LONDON (AP) — Closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):
London 430.00
Paris 429.23
Frankfurt 429.00
Zurich 427.50
Hong Kong 427.71

Hawke takes austerity steps

CANBERRA, April 11 (Agencies) — Prime Minister Bob Hawke told Australians Monday they would have to tighten their belts to help the nation through its gravest economic crisis in 50 years.

Hawke said at the opening of a week-long national conference on the troubled economy that both employers and workers would have to recognize the need for restraint for at least the next year.

Hawke invited 100 government, business and union leaders to a "national economic summit", which his five-week-old government hopes will provide broad agreement on how to make politically unpopular economic decisions.

The main aim of the conference, as outlined by both Hawke and treasurer Paul Keating, will be to recommend what sort of prices and incomes policy should replace the current wage freeze which expires on June 30.

Hawke said it was fitting that parliament should be the venue of the conference that would seek a way out of what he called Australia's gravest economic crisis in 50 years.

The Prime Minister added there would be no easy solutions to the crisis, in which the world recession and a four-year drought have led to an unemployment rate of just over 10 percent and an inflation level of 11 percent.

In an earlier televised interview he said the government would seek agreement at the summit on establishment of an Economic Pay Advisory Council (EPAC) to act as a sort of "mini summit" to continue the summit's work.

Keating said the government was aiming at the creation of 500,000 new jobs over the next three years, reasonable wage and price stability, balance of payments viability and an equitable distribution of the nation's income.

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As Bell rings in winning run

Rangers turn tables on Red Sox

NEW YORK, April 11 (AP) — After one week of the 1983 baseball season, the Texas Rangers have emerged as the American League's surprise team.

The 1982 Rangers finished sixth in the AL West with a 64-98 record, 29 games behind the first-place California Angels. But under new manager Doug Rader, the current edition has galloped to five victories in its first six games.

The latest came Sunday when the Rangers, trailing the Boston Red Sox 7-0 after 2½ innings, rallied to win 9-7. In other AL action, Oakland pounded California 11-4, Milwaukee downed Kansas City 9-5, Baltimore crushed Cleveland 13-2, the New York Yankees blanked Toronto 3-0, the Chicago

White Sox defeated Detroit 7-5 and Minnesota beat Seattle 6-3.

With the game tied, Bell led off the eighth with a single off reliever Bob Stanley and moved to second on Jim Sundberg's grounder. Stanley walked George Wright intentionally, but Stein singled for the go-ahead run. Mickey Rivers followed with a single that scored Wright.

A's 11, Angels 4: Left-hander Bill Krueger opened grandly when Oakland staked the 24-year-old rookie to an early nine-run lead and whipped the Angels behind a 14-hit attack, including three apiece by Mike Davis and Wayne Gross. Krueger went seven innings in his debut, allowing nine hits and four runs.

Brewers 9, Royals 5: Jim Gantner drilled a

bases-loaded triple in the sixth inning after a two-out error by Kansas City's gold glove second baseman Frank White allowed the tying run to score. Ted Simmons scored to tie the score 4-4, then Gantner greeted rookie Bob Tufts with his triple. Gorman Thomas, Cecil Cooper and Robin Yount added solo home runs.

Orioles 13, Indians 2: Eddie Murray drove in four runs with four hits, including his first homer of the season, and John Lowenstein drove in three with a double and triple as the Orioles rapped out 14 hits, seven for extra bases.

Yankees 3, Blue Jays 0: Shane Rawley fired a seven-hitter for his first Major League shutout and rookie Don Mattingly doubled home two runs. Rawley struck out seven and walked two in recording his fourth complete game in 23 starts.

Meanwhile, in the National League, Houston Astros and the Pittsburgh Pirates, who had finished last and next-to-last, respectively, in the NL's spring training standings, turned in contrasting displays when the games began to count.

On Sunday, Pittsburgh made it five-in-a-row on the winning side — at the expense of the Astros win, at 0-6 for 1983, are off to their worst start ever. The score was 0-8.

In the rest of the NL, Johnny Bench twice crossed up Chicago's intentional-walk strategy by driving in three runs as Cincinnati whipped the Cubs 7-2. Fernando Valenzuela pitched a seven-hitter as Los Angeles blanked Montreal 3-0. Gary Matthews' three-run home capped Philadelphia's eight-run seventh inning as the Phillies routed San Francisco 10-2, and Dale Murphy innured to pace Atlanta's 4-3 victory over San Diego. St. Louis' doubleheader against the Mets in New York was rained out.

Cincinnati 7, Chicago 2: The NL's other winless team, the Cubs, decided to test Cincinnati's "bench" strength and the Reds' catcher-turned-third basemen crossed them up each time.

Twice, Chicago manager Lee Elia ordered his pitchers — Ferguson Jenkins in the sixth inning and Warren Brusstar in the eighth — to walk Dave Concepcion to load the bases and set up a double-play situation. The first time, Bench hit a two-run double to break a scoreless tie. The next time he smacked an RBI single to highlight a five-run outburst.

Dodgers 3, Expos 0: Valenzuela, blasted out of the Dodgers' season opener by the lowly Astros, began paying a return on the million-dollar contract with a seven-hit shutout, striking out five Montreal batters and not issuing a walk as the Expos absorbed their first loss of the year.

Phillies 10, Giants 2: Philadelphia's Steve Carlton was about as sharp as Valenzuela, pitching eight innings, scattering six hits, striking out 11 batters and walking three. The Giants' two runs were unearned.

Braves 4, Padres 3: Craig McMurtry's first Major League start was a memorable one — a victory, thanks to Dale Murphy's power and Steve Bedrosian's first save of the season.

Greenidge slams unbeaten ton

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados, April 11 (AP) — Gordon Greenidge carefully compiled a chanceless 147 not out, shared an unbroken fifth-wicket partnership of 174 with all-rounder George Linton and put Barbados on top at the end of the second day of their four-day match against the touring Indian cricket team here Sunday.

Greenidge, the 31-year-old Barbados captain and West Indies opening batsman, came in when teenaged leg-spinner Sivaramakrishnan got a wicket with his second ball of the day, and had not scored when Sivaramakrishnan struck again to leave Barbados 61 for three in reply to the Indians' first innings total of 246.

Sivaramakrishnan first bowled Desmond Haynes for 25 as the batsman tried to pull and then had Test contender, the left-handed Theiston Payne, caught at mid-on for 26. The Indians then looked likely to run through an unstable batting team but Greenidge's experience and form kept them at bay.

India only had one more success for the day, Reifer being well caught at midwicket by Indian tour captain Kapil Dev, fielding as a substitute, for 32 off left-arm spinner Maninder Singh.

At the end of play, Greenidge had hit two sixes and 13 fours in just under five hours

Roberts zooms to victory As Spencer abandons race

IMOLA, Central Italy, April 11 (Agencies) — American Kenny Roberts, riding a Yamaha, was in dominant form as he won the Imola 200 mile Motorcycle race Sunday. But Roberts' superb performance, in both the legs, was overshadowed by the death of Italian rider Guido Paci after his 750 cc Honda crashed on the second lap.

Honda's ace Freddie Spencer, also of the U.S., was forced to abandon the race after mechanical failure in the third lap of the first leg and the eighth lap of the second. He was running first and second in the two laps respectively when his Honda seized up and forced him to pull out.

Former champion Franco Uncini of Italy was second on a Suzuki, coming in second on both the legs, while American Eddie Lawson, astride another Yamaha, was third. It was the 11th version of the gruelling race for motorcycles up to 750 cc.

Roberts, steering his Yamaha at an average speed of 153.684 kph clocked 2:05:55 over 64 laps. It was Roberts' second victory in the competition. He had won the Imola race in 1978.

Paci, a sergeant in the Italian Air Force from Milan, died of multiple fractures at a mobile clinic. Among his best showings during his career was when he placed 11th in the world championship in 1981. He also



Roberts...a second triumph

won the second trial of the European Motorcycling Championship in the 500cc class on March 27 at Misano, Adriatico.

Meanwhile, Britain's Graham Noyce and Andre Malherbe of Belgium, both riding Honda machines took the joint overall lead in the World 500cc Motorcycling Championship after the first event of the season at the Combrement-Le-Petit circuit, near Yverdon, Switzerland, Sunday.

Stadler, Floyd in lead

AUGUSTA, Georgia, April 11 (AP) — Defending champion Craig Stadler rolled in a long birdie putt on the 17th hole and tied Ray Floyd for the third-round lead Sunday in the rain-delayed 47th Masters Golf Tournament.

Stadler, seeking to become only the second man to take consecutive titles in this event, scrambled his way to a 3-under-par 69 — the best score of the day. He finished 54 holes over the rain-slickened, rolling hills of the Augusta National Golf Club course in 210, 6-under-par, and will be paired with Floyd in the final two-round Monday in the day-late finish of the weather-troubled masters.

Floyd, one of six men stranded on the course by darkness Saturday night, matched that total with a hard-earned 71. He, and the other five who were unable to complete play Saturday, returned early in the morning and finished the round. Floyd parred the two holes he had remaining and completed that round in par 72. He then had a wait of about five hours before the start of the third round.

Seve Ballesteros of Spain, a former Masters and British Open titleholder, birdied the last hole from about 18 feet (5.5 m) and was alone at 211, a single shot back with one round to go in the chase for the famed green jacket that goes to the winner of the first of the year's four major tests of golfing greatness.

Tom Watson, twice a winner here and the current U.S. and British Open champion, and young Jodie Mudd, who turned pro immedi-

Greenidge slams unbeaten ton

bating for his 48th century in first-class cricket, Linton, badly dropped off Ravi Shastri when 52, was with him for the last three hours of his innings in which time he hit two sixes and five fives.

Brief scores: Indians 246 versus Barbados 308 for three (D. Haynes 25, T. Payne 26, G. Greenidge 147 not out, G. Reifer 32, G. Linton 63 not out; L. Sivaramakrishnan 2 for 59, Maninder Singh 1 for 91).

The Indians depended almost exclusively on their four spin bowlers but none could make an impression on the 32-year-old Greenidge. Only Sivaramakrishnan commanded respect but was brought on only for short spells.

Awad squashes Jahan's dreams

DERBY, April 11 (APF) — Pakistan's world champion Jahangir Khan set the scene for a semifinal showdown against countryman Qamar Zaman in the British Open Squash Championship here Sunday.

The 19-year-old Jahangir, the defending British Open champion blasted Chris Dittmar of Australia 9-0, 9-3, 9-4 in 34 minutes, while Zaman beat Ross Norman 9-4, 9-1, 9-6.

The other semifinal will be between Dean Williams of Australia and the Egyptian Gamal Awad. Awad bundled out Pakistan's Hiddy Jahan, the second seed 4-9, 9-2, 5-9, 9-2, 9-1.

The victory extended Jahangir's remarkable unbeaten run which began after his defeat by Australia's Geoff Hunt in the final of this championship two years ago. Khan's winning score hardly reflected the hard work put in by the 18-year-old Dittmar in his efforts to make it a more even contest.

"Perhaps I was too busy clowning about at the start," admitted the Australian afterward. "I should have settled down earlier. I felt I gave it all I had but if you tied that fellow's legs together he would still win."

The left-handed Dittmar, the No. 15 seed, used his last ounce of reserve energy to go 4-2 up in the third game but a few swift rallies later he was trailing again.

The 31-year-old Zaman, British Open winner in 1974 and twice runner-up since then, was just as convincing a winner against New Zealand's Ross Norman in another outstanding quarterfinal. The New Zealander gave the Pakistani more rugged contest, but Zaman easily held off the challenge.

An outstanding quarterfinal victory by Angela Smith from Staffordshire over the world champion, Rhonda Thorne, put three British players into Tuesday's semifinals. The 29-year-old Smith, who coaches in the Bahamas, beat the 24-year-old Australian, the third seed, 4-9, 9-7, 4-9, 9-6, 9-3.

In the semifinals, she now meets second seed Lisa Opie, a 19-year-old Channel Islander based in Nottingham. The other match is between defending champion Vicki Cardwell, another Australian, and Martine le Moignan, from Guernsey, who is also based in Nottingham.

Islanders edge out Capitals

NEW YORK, April 11 (AP) — Mike Bossy, blanked in the first three games, scored three goals as the New York Islanders scored a 6-3 victory over the Washington Capitals Sunday night and won the best-of-five National Hockey League opening round playoff series 3-1.

Elsewhere in the NHL playoffs, Dino Ciccarelli's goal 8:05 into overtime gave the Minnesota North Stars a 5-4 victory over the Toronto Maple Leafs and a berth in the quarterfinals. The 1982-83 season ended for the Maple Leafs when Ciccarelli batted a rebound of a shot by teammate Court Giles past Toronto goaltender Mike Talmaten, giving Minnesota the best-of-five series 3-1.

Rookie Steve Larmer scored with 10:21 remaining to snap a tie and give the Chicago Blackhawks a 5-3 victory over the St. Louis Blues. Larmer's second goal in four games and Darryl Sutter's score into an empty net with 34 seconds left gave Chicago a 3-1 massifiable lead in the series helping the Blackhawks advance to the Norris Division final against the Minnesota North Stars.

Greg Meredith scored his second goal of the game at 1:06 of overtime to give the Calgary Flames a 4-3 decision over Vancouver and eliminate the Canucks from the Stanley Cup playoffs. Meredith directed in a pass from Mel Bridgman after Bridgman had checked the puck away from Vancouver defenseman Lars Lindgren.

And, left winger Luc Duhaime scored the winning goal on a breakaway at 12:02 of the third period as the Boston Bruins won their opening round series with a 2-1 triumph over the Quebec Nordiques.

Meanwhile, Norway clinched the 12th and last place in the Ice Hockey competition at next year's Winter Olympics in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia, following a 10-2 victory over the Netherlands in Garmisch, West Germany.

Period scores in the match were 3-0, 3-1, 4-1 and Norway's goals came from Thorstein (2), Myhre (2), Foy, Lovdal, Kolstrid, Abrahamson, Karlstad and Eric Kristiansen. Scorers for the Netherlands were Berteling and De Bruyn.

Already qualified for the ice hockey finals were the United States, Yugoslavia, (automatic qualification as champions and hosts respectively), the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Sweden, Canada, Finland, Italy, Poland, Austria and West Germany.

In elimination bouts

Davis, La Rocca impress

SAN REMO, April 11 (APF) — Lightweight Howard Davis of the United States and unbeaten Italian-based West African welterweight Nino La Rocca earned themselves world title fights here Sunday night with impressive victories over outclassed opponents.

Davis, the 28-year-old Montreal Olympic champion, was always in charge against Britain's George Feeney. The Hartlepool lightweight was only a pale shadow of the boxer who took world champion Ray Mancini through ten tough rounds in February.

Despite that defeat, Feeney had climbed into the ring confident of matching Davis. It was not to be.

The fast-moving American, whose only defeat in 23 pro contests was inflicted by Scotland's former world champion Jim Watt in June 1980, constantly outsmarted the British champion. His crisp, accurate punching left no doubt about the final result and Feeney suffered his ninth defeat in 25 contests.

Davis is now expected to fight the winner of the forthcoming all-American World Boxing Association (WBA) championship bout between Mancini and Ken Bonner.

The promising La Rocca (formerly Tidjani Sidibe) dispelled any fears that his excellent

record of 46 straight victories would start to disintegrate once he met top overseas opposition.

Against tonight's big-punching opponent Joe Young from Ohio, La Rocca, who began cautiously, came into his own after the opening rounds and produced a spectacular finish.

After the bell to start the fifth it was one-way traffic. Young, tiring badly and unable to land with his blows, became the target of a long and sustained attack. Only remarkable courage kept him on his feet.

For the eighth round, La Rocca, clearly leading on points, came off his stool determined to finish it. He sent in a barrage of blows which forced the American to give ground and then hammered two mighty right-hand punches through the American's guard.

American referee Arthur Mercante would have none of it, however, and he wisely stepped in to halt a fight which had become too one-sided. It was Young's third defeat against 19 victories.

La Rocca, who celebrated his 24th birthday last week, will next fight for the world welterweight crown. He is scheduled to meet the winner of the forthcoming June 18 fight in Monte Carlo in which the new WBA champion Don Curry faces fellow-American Roger Stafford.



Single-Wicket tourney

Habib comes out trumps

By a Staff Writer
JEDDAH, April 11 — Shalimar's Habib Khan emerged as the best all-rounder in the Benson & Hedges Single-Wicket Cricket Championship. But he had to pull out all the stops before beating Pak Saudi's Afraz Ashraf in a keenly-contested final.

Habib's asset was his bold tactics, both with the bat and the ball. His methodical approach, blended with some daring strokes after making the first use of the strip, against the swinging deliveries of Ashraf and his adroit switch from pace to spin, dropping into perfect line and length with both, paid dividends.

What made the difference in the end was Habib's tactical ploys, which were put into action with deadly precision. In the first over he faced, he carved out 15 runs, slowly but surely. But was under pressure when he ballooned an attempted drive to cover point to lose his wicket once.

Undeterred by this hemish, Habib switched to bolder measures. And he cut loose with a vengeance. He cut delectably, drove elegantly and hooked powerfully in a scoring frenzy which pushed his total beyond his dreams. He rattled up 42, which included two towering sixers.

According to the rules of the tourney,

Ashraf had to score only 22 runs for the pennant. For Habib's total was halved due to his loss of wicket once in his innings. The task seemed within easy reach of Ashraf when he plundered 12 runs in the first over off Habib. But the fortunes turned once again toward Habib at this stage. Habib, who was scamming the ball in the first over, switched to his off spinners and struck immediately.

He disturbed Ashraf's castle with one cut-back and this saw Ashraf facing an uphill task of scoring 43 for victory. In sheer desperation, Ashraf employed the long handle and paid with his wicket once again, thereby doubling his task.

Ashraf had encountered stiff resistance in the semifinal too. But his controlled attack against Sabri came out triumphs and earned him the meeting with Habib, who dethroned last year's winner Anis-ud-Din, also of Shalimar in the quarterfinal.

In the only tie in the competition, Sabri thrashed Shahbaz in the replay after the players had failed to resolve their prequarterfinal clash in the first meeting. Both the players had notched 34 runs apiece. Rangers' Hamid Saad and Shalimar's Inam Ullah were thanked for their diligent efforts on the field after their early exit in the tourney.

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For second successive River Oaks crown

Lendl cashes in on McNamee's errors

HOUSTON, April 11 (AP) — Top-seeded Ivan Lendl played almost flawlessly and took advantage of 36 forehand errors by Australian Paul McNamee for a 6-2, 6-0, 6-3 victory Sunday to become the first player in 21 years to win back-to-back titles in the \$300,000 River Oaks International Tennis Tournament.

Lendl, who earned \$100,000, never has lost a match at River Oaks since he won his first major championship here in 1980 and now has a string of 15 consecutive match victories. Rod Laver of Australia was the last player to win consecutive titles in 1960 and 1961.

McNamee earned a berth in the lucrative World Championship of Tennis finals by advancing to the River Oaks final and earned \$32,000 as the runner-up.

Lendl dominated the match from the start, breaking McNamee in the first and seventh games as McNamee's forehand started in take its toll. The Aussie hit 11 forehand errors in the first set alone.

In the second set, McNamee won only four points with the exception of the fourth game, when he made his most serious challenge, taking Lendl to six deuces before losing on a backhand that sailed long off of Lendl's serve. "He was trying to do a lot with the ball on his forehand," Lendl said. "That's why I was hitting too hard to his forehand."

McNamee, 28, earned his way into the final by defeating hard-serving rookie Mark Dick-

son of the U.S., but he managed to break Lendl only once. That came in the sixth game of the final set when Lendl committed three errors, including a backhand error at break point.

"Today, I felt a little bit out of my depth," McNamee said. "He's very strong from the baseline and he moves well. He's a fairly relentless player, which is a good quality to have." McNamee said his forehand was faulty last week at Monte Carlo. "I finally quit playing for three days because there was no way I could get it in the court," he said.

Lendl broke back in the seventh game with a pair of backhand passing shots to end McNamee's final threat. Lendl held in the

Tracy begins with a bang but ends in a whimper

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, South Carolina, April 11 (AP) — Top-seed Martina Navratilova overcame some early problems with her serve to take a 5-7, 6-1, 6-0 victory Sunday over Tracy Austin to win the Family Circle Cup Women's Tennis Tournament here for the second straight year.

Navratilova, the No. 1 ranked women's player in the world, wasn't able to hold her own serve until the second game of the second set. But from that point, she allowed third-seeded Austin to win but one game the rest of the match.

"I wasn't at any stage thinking I was going

to lose the match. It was just a matter of setting down and doing the things I could," Navratilova said later. "After the first set I was never really threatened."

But she admitted the early going before a stadium crowd of about 4,000 and a national television audience was rough. The winner said it was the first time her serve had been broken six times in one set.

She said the brisk wind on the crisp, sunny afternoon also caused some problems. "It was difficult to really hit the ball with any authority because it was floating in the air," she said.

Meanwhile, Mats Wilander of Sweden won the \$50,000 Portuguese Open, defeating Yannick Noah of France 2-6, 7-6, 6-4.

The 22-year-old French star started out strongly breaking the Swede's serve to 5-2 and dominating aggressively from the net. Eighteen-year-old Wilander's return came too short enabling Noah to rocket back winners.

The Frenchman looked set for victory when he took the second set to 2-1 after a

double-fault from Wilander. But with characteristic coolness the Swede fought back from 5-3 down, saving two match points, to a tie-breaker which he took 7-2 with a brilliant passing shot.

In a 47-minute third set, Wilander began to impose the rhythm with a faultless baseline game as Noah began to lose concentration and miss easy returns. It was the second tournament victory for Wilander in eight days after winning the Monte Carlo Open April 6.

In the doubles tournament Brazilians Carlos Kirmayr and Cassio Motta defeated Czechoslovak Pavel Slozil and American Ferdi Taygan 7-5, 6-4 to take the \$15,000 first prize.

Navratilova said Austin also kept her at bay in the first set with her baseline volleys. Later however, Navratilova was able to lure her opponent to the net and put points away with well-placed drop shots.

It was Austin's first appearance in a tournament final this year, and she said she was "Really pleased with the tournament I had. I gained a lot of confidence."

Austin said she grew tired late in the match because of a marathon 2-hour, 25-minute semifinal victory over Andrea Jaeger on Saturday. "I was a little bit (tired), there was a lot of emotion in it yesterday," she said.

With Sikma at dazzling best

Supersonics blaze a glorious trail

NEW YORK, April 11 (AP) — Both Seattle and Portland are ending the season the way they started it, which is good for the Supersonics and bad for the Trail Blazers.

The Sonics, who started the season 12-0, clinched a National Basketball Association playoff berth Sunday night by beating Portland 102-93. It was their seventh straight victory and 14th in their last 16 outings. "We've been consistently building since the All-Star break," said Jack Sikma, who had 25 points and 17 rebounds for Seattle.

The Blazers, who recovered from a 1-5 beginning to nearly catch Seattle in the standings, have lost three in a row and are now in danger of not making the playoffs because of strong finishes by Kansas City and Denver. Mychal Thompson, who had 18 points and 16 rebounds for Portland, said the Blazers have stopped playing together as a team.

Elsewhere in the NBA, Boston edged Detroit 115-113, Philadelphia tripped New York 113-97, Golden State beat San Diego 102-93, Cleveland trimmed Indiana 110-105, Milwaukee crushed Chicago 121-91 and Phoenix defeated Los Angeles 101-95.

Seattle, which got 28 points from Gus Williams, outscored the Blazers 16-6 in the final 2:36 of the game in reverse an 87-86 deficit. Seattle took a 76-68 lead into the final period, but Calvin Natt, who led Portland with 27 points, sparked a fourth-quarter rally that gave the Blazers a one-point lead on four

occasions. Portland never trailed in the first half after taking a 26-16 lead.

Suns 185, Lakers 99: Dennis Johnson, who missed three games with an injured ankle, scored 22 points to lead Phoenix over Los Angeles, which also lost rookie star James Worthy with a broken leg. Worthy had to be taken off the court on a stretcher after tumbling to the floor while attempting a rebound-dunk late in the third quarter. The Suns didn't take the lead for good until Larry Nance hit a short jumper to make it 91-90 with 4:22 remaining.

76ers 113, Knicks 97: Andrew Toney scored seven of his 40 points during a 12-0 run by Philadelphia that defused a New York comeback attempt in the fourth quarter. The Knicks, who got 29 points from Bernard King, rallied from a 24-point deficit in the third period to cut the margin to 95-87 with 5:26 left in the game. But Toney led the 12-point burst that gave the 76ers a comfortable 107-87 lead.

The loss dropped New York into a tie with Washington for the sixth and final Eastern Conference playoff spot. The Knicks and Bulls are a half-game behind fifth-place Atlanta.

Celtics 115, Pistons 113: Playoff-bound Boston went to its bench to hold off repeated Detroit rallies in the second half. Backups Tiny Archibald and Kevin McHale scored 14 points each for the Celtics, while substitute

forward Scott Wedman added 12. Starting guard Henderson hit 11 of 14 shots to lead Boston with 22 points. The Pistons, who got 26 points each from Kelly Tripucka and Isiah Thomas, trailed 59-44 at halftime, but cut the deficit to 79-78 in the third period.

Cavaliers 110, Pacers 105: World Free scored 13 points and Cliff Robinson 10 more as Cleveland outscored Indiana 35-24 in the final period to overcome a six-point deficit after three quarters. Free finished with 26 points and Robinson 27 as the Cavaliers took a 1 1/2-game lead over the Pacers in the race for last place in the Eastern Conference. Clark Kellogg hit 11 of his 12 shots to lead Indiana with 24 points.

Bucks 121, Bulls 91: Marques Johnson hit 11 of his first 12 shots in the first half and finished with 28 points as Milwaukee easily defeated Chicago. Junior Bridgeman scored 14 of his 24 points in the first quarter. Johnson added 18 in the second period and Sidney Moncrief contributed 13 in the third quarter as the Bucks led 100-65 going into the final 12 minutes.

Warriors 102, Clippers 93: Purvis Short scored 31 points and Eric Floyd 23 to boost Golden State over San Diego. The Warriors took control of the game with a 15-2 spurt in the second half that extended a one-point lead to 82-68. Tom Chambers scored 28 points for the Clippers.

Drawn battles in Kuala Lumpur

KUALA LUMPUR, April 11 (AFP) — All four matches on the second day in the Women's World Cup (field) Hockey Championships ended in draws here Monday.

In pool 'A', favorites the Netherlands and Scotland failed to score, while in the other match Wales held the favored United States to a 1-1 draw. In Pool 'B', England and Canada drew 1-1 as did New Zealand and the Soviet Union.

The Netherlands, the top seeds, were in fact fortunate to finish with a draw. Underdogs Scotland put up a grand fight to check the more seasoned Dutch players.

In the second half Scotland had the better of the exchanges and were unlucky not to have scored in the last minute of the game. It was the Dutch girls' second game, having defeated India 2-1 Sunday while Scotland lost 0-3 to the United States.

The United States also had luck on their side against unrated Wales, who sprang a surprise by matching the Americans, both in attack and defence. The Netherlands and the United States now head Pool 'A' with three points from two games each.

Australia, who have played only one game so far, are in second position with two points. They defeated Wales 5-1 Sunday.

In Pool 'B' unfancied Argentina are heading the table with two points from one game. They scored an upset 1-0 win over defending champions West Germany Sunday.

The Germans, who have won this championships twice before, are at the bottom of the table in this group without a point. Four teams, England, Canada, New Zealand and the Soviet Union have one point each.

Canada held England to a 1-1 draw. England fancied to be among the semifinals were given a stiff run by a lively Canadian side. Canada had a slight edge throughout the game and were awarded more penalty corners.

The Soviet Union, who finished third in the last championships in Argentina and were favored to be amongst the top four this time were unable to overcome New Zealand.

Ribli, Torre level

ALICANTE, Spain, April 11 (AP) — Grandmasters Zoltan Ribli of Hungary and Eugene Torre of the Philippines played to a draw Sunday, in their fourth game of the quarterfinals Candidates Tournament for the World Chess Championship.

The game was over in a little more than 2 1/2 hours. Torre proposed the draw after Ribli made his 19 moves and the 30-year-old Hungarian player accepted it.

Ribli, playing with white pieces and with an English opening, played for only 53 minutes, while Torre, with black pieces and with an Anglo-Kann defense, transposition, took an hour and 40 minutes.

After this fourth match of the ten which both players have to play to decide the winner, they have 2 points each after their fourth draw.

Soccer results

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Athletic Bilbao	3	Barcelona 2
Osasuna	4	Celta 1
Valencia	4	Real Betis 2
Real Valladolid	3	Salamanca 0
Sevilla	2	Racing 0
Real Zaragoza	0	Sporting Gijon 1
Atletico Madrid	3	Malaga 0
Espanol	1	Real Sociedad 0
Las Palmas	0	Real Madrid 3
DUTCH		
Willem II Tilburg	0	Go Ahead Eagles 0
AZ 67 Alkmaar	2	Ajax Amsterdam 3
PEC Zwolle	2	NAC Breda 1
Twente Enschede	0	Excelsior 1
NEC Nijmegen	5	Sparta Rotterdam 0
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Feyenoord	2	Helmond Sport 1
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CHARGE FOR THE BALL: Catanzaro's Massimo Venturini together with Roma's Roberto Falco (center) and Bruno Conti (right) make a wild charge for the ball during the Italian First Division match Sunday. Roma won 2-0.

League leaders inching toward pennant

PARIS, April 11 (AFP) — There was no change at the top of the major European football leagues this weekend and Nantes, A.S. Roma, Hamburg and Real Madrid edged closer to their respective league titles.

In France, Nantes stayed a massive seven points clear of rivals Bordeaux after slugging Sochaux 4-0. Hamburg maintained their single point lead with Werder Bremen in West Germany when they came away from lowly Eintracht Brunswick with a 4-2 victory.

A.S. Roma stayed clear of Juventus in the race for the Italian title thanks to a 2-0 home win over bottom-of-the-table Catanzaro. And Real Madrid plundered both points at

Las Palmas with a 3-0 victory to stay top of the Spanish League.

Roma made no mistakes in their match against Catanzaro and goals from captain Di Bartolomei (39th) and striker Roberto Pruzzo (62nd) condemned the visitors to Second Division football next season.

Juventus, showing no ill-effects after their midweek European Cup victory over Wisden Lodz, produced the day's biggest score. They crushed Ascoli, also in the relegation zone, 5-0.

The scoreline might have been less humiliating had Ascoli not been reduced to ten men from the 26th minute after Nicolini

was ordered off after disputing a penalty decision. The incident came after Lo Belli pointed to the spot after Boldini had brought down French skipper Mel Plattin.

Paolo Rossi made no mistakes with the place kick to put Juventus 2-0 clear. The home side had opened the scoring after just seven minutes through Roberto Bettega. Marco Tardelli made it 3-0 in the 35th minute and in the second-half Rossi (68th) and Plattin (78th) added two more.

Hamburg produced a majestic first-half display in their local derby against Eintracht Brunswick and needed just ten minutes to silence the home team supporters by taking the lead through a Borg own-goal.

Brunswick equalized within six seconds through Worm but then conceded two more goals in as many minutes before the match was half-an-hour old. First Jacobs and then Hrubesch found the net to give the visitors a commanding 3-1 lead.

The giant Hrubesch scored again in the 68th minutes and Borg made amends for his earlier mishap by hitting a consolation goal for Brunswick five minutes from time. Werder Bremen kept up their challenge with an exciting 3-2 victory over visiting Nuremberg.

Two goals in each half enabled Nantes to notch up their 20th victory of the season. Their latest victims were Sochaux who were hard put to it to contain the quicksilver Nantes frontrunners. But challengers Bordeaux also took both points. They beat Lille 2-0 thanks to goals from international stars Lacombe and Giresse.

Bearzot recalls Bettega for Euro tie

ROME, April 11 (R) — European Soccer Cup favorites Juventus provide seven of the 18 players named Monday by Italian manager Enzo Bearzot for Saturday's vital European Championship match against Romania in Bucharest.

Roberto Bettega, 32, joins the six Juventus players who helped Italy win the World Cup in Spain last year and were included in the squad for the last European Championship qualifier against Cyprus last month. Italy's record in Group Five is a humbling series of limp draws against Czechoslovakia, Romania and Cyprus and defeat in Bucharest could be a killer blow to their hopes of qualifying for the finals in France. The Romanians have dropped only one point in three games. But hope lies with the Juventus contingent.

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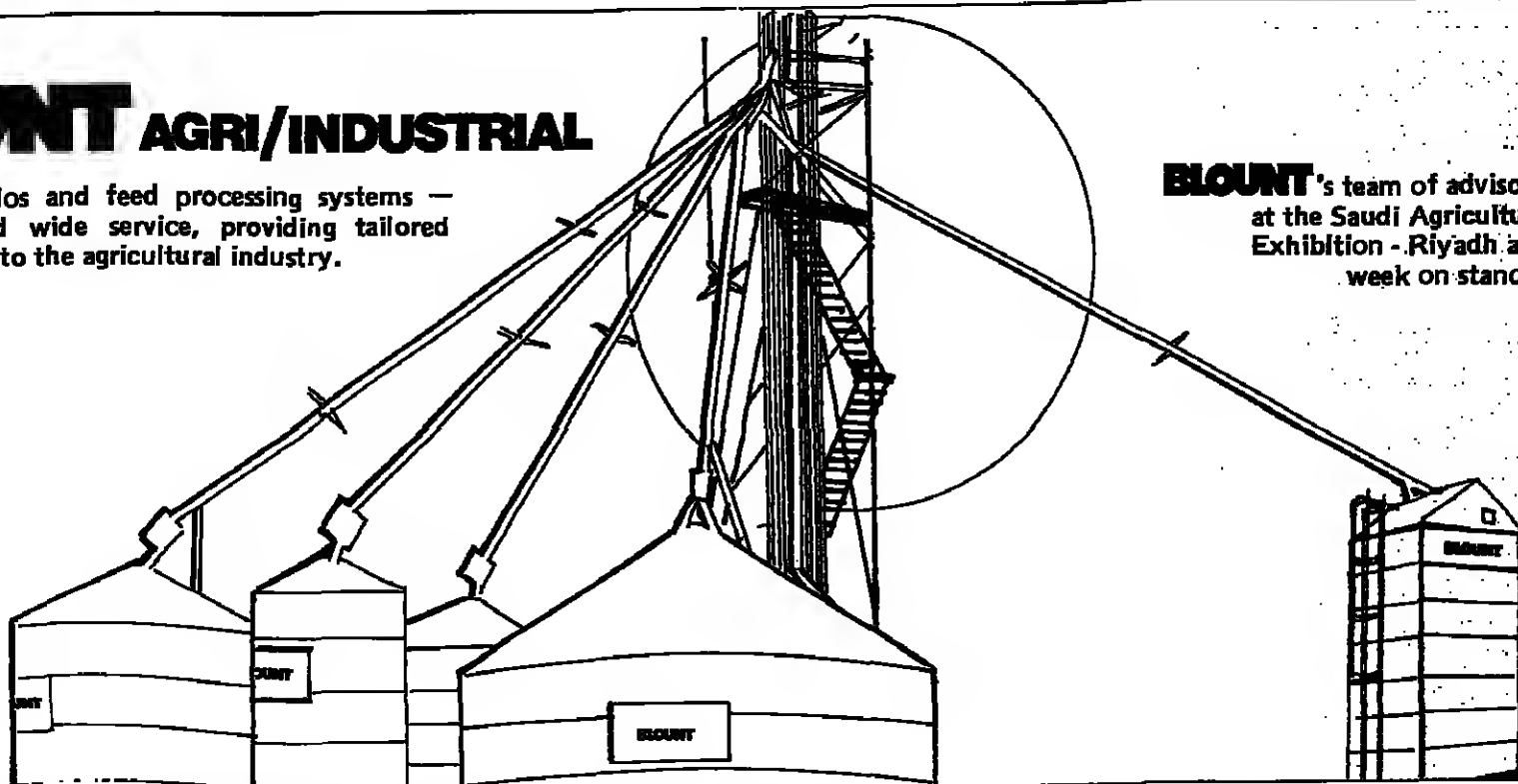
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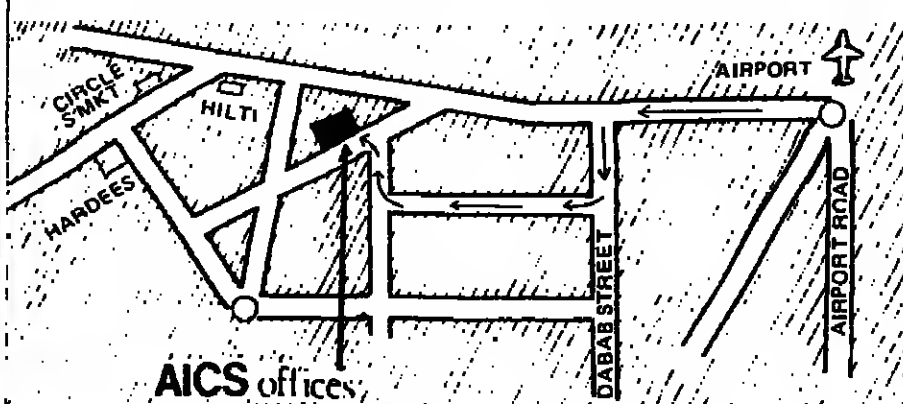


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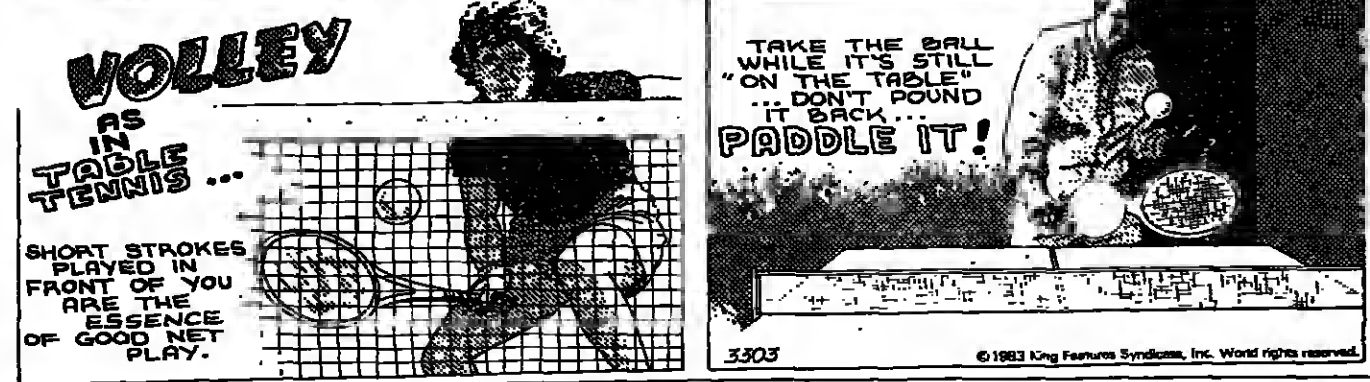
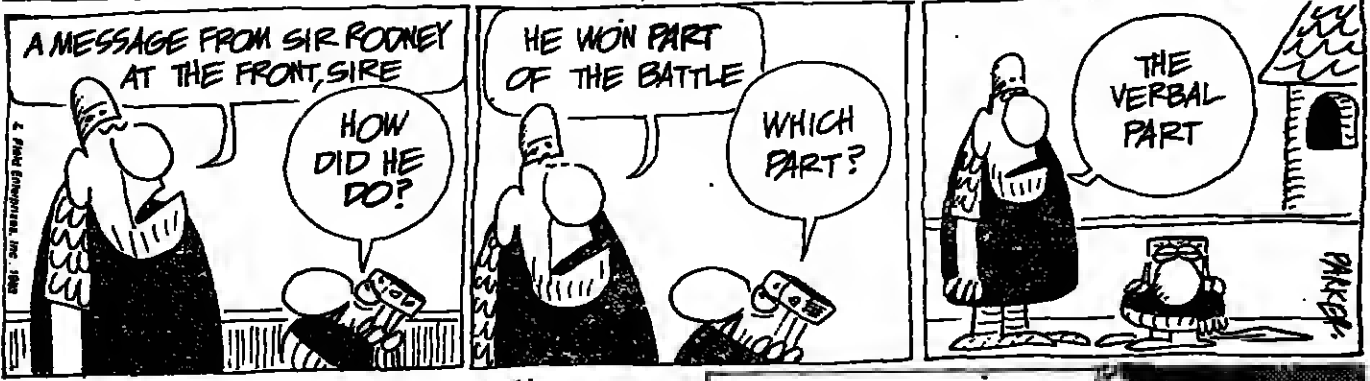
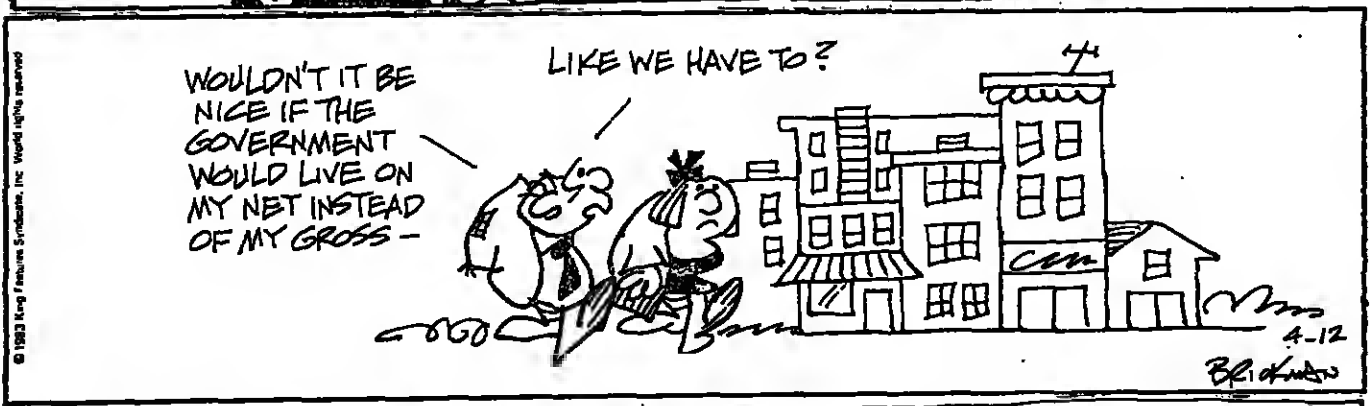
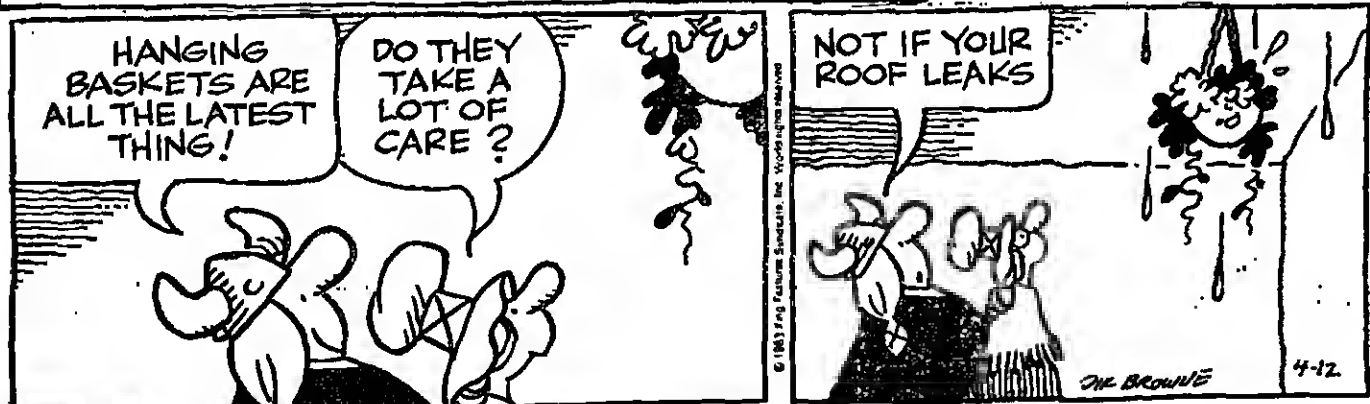
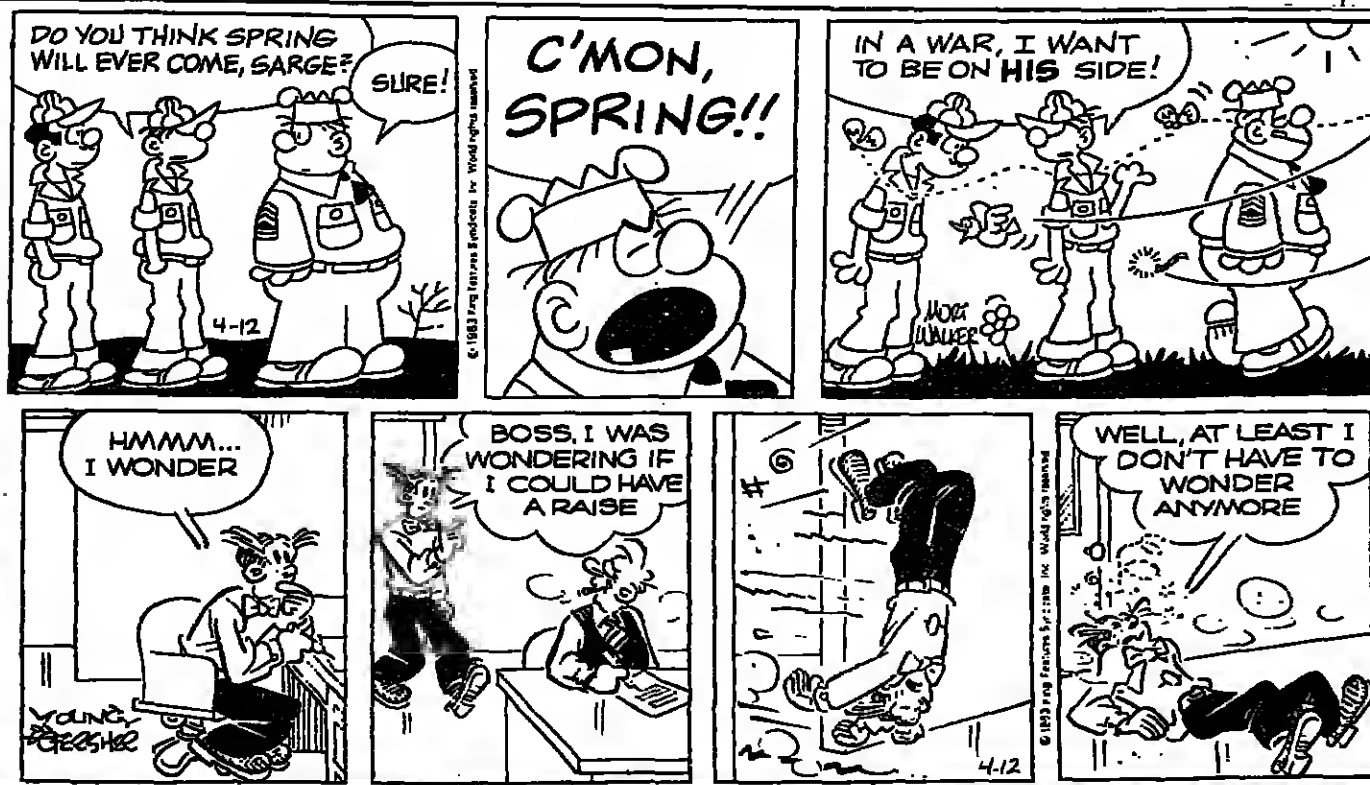
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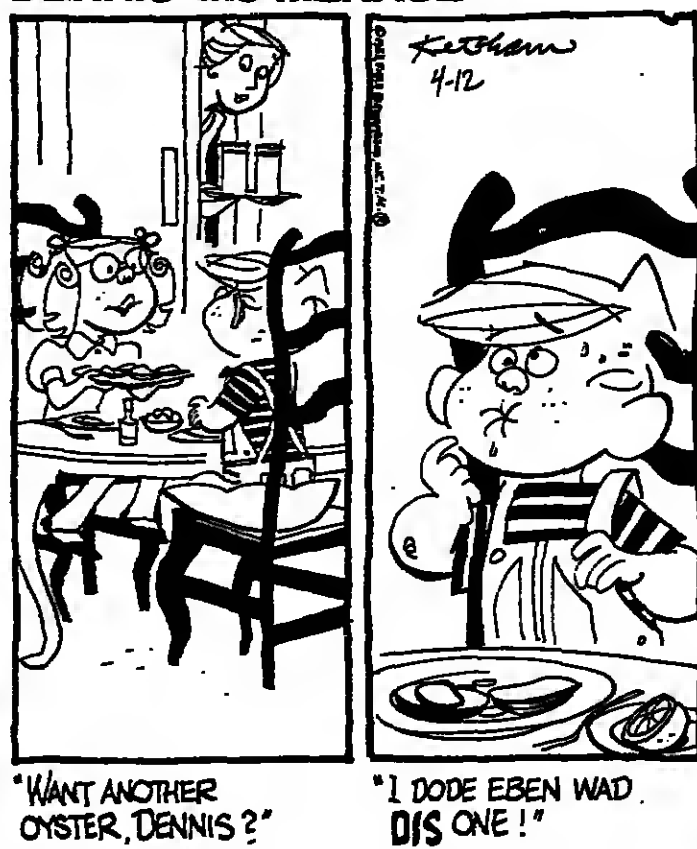
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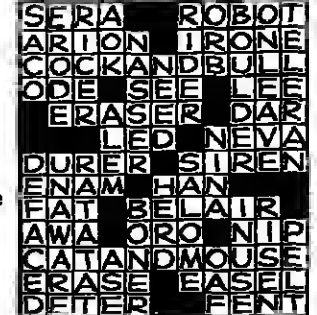
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0415 Outlook	1100 World News
0445 Lesson - The Prince of Music	1109 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary
0500 World News	1130 Voices to Remember
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Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS	DOWN
1 Iran city	1 Reporter's exclusive
5 Swordsmen	2 Of an arm bone
11 Ball of yarn	3 Spy's undertaking
12 - Cranston ("The Shadow")	4 Daunt
13 Formerly	5 Garment
14 Bowl in Miami	6 Extensive
15 Paddle	7 Candlenut tree
16 Pull	8 It's my pleasure!
17 Singing syllable	9 Work with intaglio
18 Proposition	10 Thief
20 - de mer	11 Baritone
21 Head	12 Gobbi
22 French dream	13 Brief role
23 Foot (Lat.)	14 Pay-dirt finder
33 Watch	15 Newspaper notice
34 So that's it!	16 Cash (sl.)
35 Liver and	17 Manuscripts (abbr.)
	18 Execrable
	19 Presently
	20 Wall bracket
	21 Neophyte
	22 More high-strung
	23 Roman highway



Yesterday's Answer

19 Run into	29 Therefore
22 Tiny brook	30 Coast
23 Fertilizing agent	31 Bridge
24 Lack field	32 Cricket parts
25 Hawaiian chant	33 N.Z. tribe
27 Hot spring	

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Solution to a Dilemma

North dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ J52

♥ AK93

♦ AK93

♣ KQ

EAST

♠ A986

♥ 854

♦ 07

♣ AJ1096

SOUTH

♠ KQ1073

♥ J106

♦ KJ106

♣ 7

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♥	Pass	5♥	Pass

Opening lead - ace of clubs.

Something is usually wrong with the bidding if you wind up in five spades as a result of trying for a slam. Every once in a while you go down one at this awkward contract - and remember, you get no extra bonus for having undertaken to make eleven tricks instead of ten.

For example, look at the problem faced by declarer in this hand where he had to make five spades. West led the ace of clubs and shifted to a

singleton diamond. Declarer took it in dummy, played a spade to the king and a spade back to the jack, West refusing both tricks.

South was now in trouble. He knew he could probably make the contract if he guessed West's distribution, but it was too early in the play for him to be certain of that.

Suppose he had led another spade at this point and West took the ace and returned a club. South could discard a heart, but he would then be faced with the question of how to return to his hand to draw West's last trump.

If West originally had two diamonds and two hearts, it would be necessary to lead a diamond to make the hand, but if West had one diamond and three hearts, it would be necessary to cash the A-K of hearts and ruff a heart to bring home the contract. South had no way of knowing which was the case, but he solved the problem by avoiding it altogether.

Instead of leading the third round of spades at once, he first cashed the king of clubs, discarding a heart, and then cashed the A-K of hearts. Now he led the spade and could sit back and relax.

He didn't care what West returned - whether a spade, a heart, a diamond or a club. In all these cases, he could win in his hand and draw West's last trump to claim the balance.

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Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 1983

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) You'll come up with a novel idea for travel. Dealings with agents are lucrative. Some care is needed with expenditures.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Despite careful research on your part, some unexpected developments affect financial interests. Act with discretion now.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Socially, you're popular. Benefits come through others, but sidestep clandestine involvements. Don't play the field.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An unusual career idea looks promising. Be ready to capitalize on opportunity. Don't let friends distract you from business.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) Make plans for a special holiday. Students may receive recognition. Leisure-time activities lead to romantic encounters.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Luck is with you in business and real estate ventures, but don't overlook important legalities. Innovative ideas prove successful.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Care is needed in financial negotiations, but you're quite effective when presenting ideas to loved ones. Write letters.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Accept an offbeat job proposal. You'll find ways to increase income now. You may have to turn down a request for a loan.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) New romantic opportunities

come, but you're inclined to let work interests slide. It's the perfect time for hobbies and recreation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) You may be somewhat glibly now in romance. Home-based activities are favored over going out for good times. Enjoy private pursuits.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Some good news comes via phone or letter. It's a fine time to express your ideas. Accept invitations that come from friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) Though overall this is a banner day for career interests, there are some fine points that need scrutinizing. Protect your interests.

CHESS/Leonard Barden

but with White finding it difficult to land a knock-out blow. If White had a queen, a white-squared bishop, or a knight on the board he could easily give a decisive check.

As the position stands, White even has to be careful - for example 1 K - Q7, P - B3; 2 K x P?? would be a draw by stalemate. Can you spot the mate in four?

White mates in four moves, against any defense.

This unusual puzzle shows the black king hemmed in behind a pawn wall.

1... RxB; 2 RxB, B-B6; 3 R-B5 ch, K-K3; 4 R-Q7, P-Q7; 5 Q-Q7 and White resigned. The winning double threat is R-K8 ch and R x R.

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Nakasone rebuffed in local elections

TOKYO, April 11 (Agencies) — Leaders of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) admitted Monday that its defeat in two key local elections amounted to a severe rebuff for Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone and his policies.

Nakasone himself, criticized by left-wing opponents for his hard-line defense stand, said of the results from the two areas considered particularly vital in Sunday's voting for local bodies across the country: "I sincerely accept the realities and will pull myself together." Nakasone indicated that the results had sharply reduced the chances of general elections being held this June. He told reporters: "Lower house members should in principle complete their terms. I'm not thinking of a dissolution."

The four-year term of the lower house is not due to end until June next year and an early poll had been predicted if the LDP did well in key areas. Instead, a Socialist was elected governor in Hokkaido prefecture in northern Japan to end 24 years of conservative rule, while a Socialist-Communist candidate became governor of Fukushima in the south where the LDP had reigned for 16 years.

Louisiana floods rising

SLIDELL, Louisiana, April 11 (AP) — Record Pearl River floods inched upward Monday as sandbaggers struggled — and often failed — to keep houses out of the yellow water that was already 15 feet deep in some streets.

Bruce Unangst, president of the St. Tammany parish council in southeastern Louisiana, predicted that the water level in some subdivisions will rise from six inches to a foot by mid-afternoon Monday, depending on the location. At one point, authorities said up to 25,000 residents of this area 30 miles northeast of New Orleans should prepare for water in the house. Due to energetic sand-bagging and some luck, it wasn't that bad. Unangst estimated Sunday that 7,000 houses involving about 2,800 persons had suffered flood damage. Areas of deep water, up to 15 feet, were small. Most flooding was wading depth.

A federal disaster team was to check the area and report to U.S. President Ronald Reagan. Louisiana Governor Dave Treen has asked that 16 southeastern Louisiana parishes — along a 100-mile line extending from Baton Rouge eastward to the state border with Mississippi — be designated a federal disaster area.

Under the designation, eligible residents may apply for low interest loans for repairs or, in some instances, grants. The flooding around Slidell followed a three-day deluge last week that brought near-record floods to New Orleans, Baton Rouge and a number of small communities. Five persons drowned, and damage unofficially was estimated in the hundreds of millions of dollars.

Sikh party replaces New Delhi unit

NEW DELHI, April 11 (AP) — The head of the main-Sikh political party dissolved its New Delhi branch Monday and replaced it with a committee to "intensify" the Sikh agitation for political and religious concessions from the government.

The move highlighted the split between the Sikhs in northern Punjab state and their more urbanized cousins in the capital, Akali Dal President Harchand Singh Longowal announced in Amritsar, the main Sikh city 550 kilometers northwest of here, that the New Delhi unit of the party had been replaced by a 21-member committee headed by Ajai Singh.

The change was made because local party leader Harchand Singh was in poor health, Longowal said. However, Harchand Singh and other former top leaders of the capital branch were appointed to the new committee, the United News of India reported.

The Akali Dal has been agitating for nearly a year to get Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's government to approve a list of 43 demands ranging from greater autonomy for Punjab to declaring Amritsar a sacred city with status similar to the Vatican. Its actions in Punjab have ranged from a massive "fill the jails" campaign last summer to a state-wide road blockade earlier this month in which 24 Sikhs were killed in fighting with police.

New Delhi Sikhs have been openly unsympathetic to the Akalis. They ignored Longowal's call to disrupt the Asian Games last November, and to boycott local elections in January.

Bonn may re-evaluate weapons export policy

BONN, April 11 (AFP) — The government of Chancellor Helmut Kohl is considering re-evaluation of its arms export policy "to widen its room for maneuver when vital Western interests are at stake," political sources said here Monday.

The government wants to be able to act without parliamentary approval "when Western interests require it," a reliable source said. "There will not be a break with the previous restrictive policy, but the government wants to be free to make decisions," he added.

West German arms export policy is governed by an April 1982 national security council decision "to make exception (to not selling weapons in tension zones) when West German vital interests are threatened and taking into account North Atlantic Treaty Organization interests."

But former Chancellor Helmut Schmidt could not count on parliament's approval for arms sales to Arab countries. In April 1981, the parliament vetoed the sale of Leopard-2 heavy tanks to a Middle East country.

West Germany is the fifth largest arms exporter in the world, and sold \$900 million worth of weapons — 28 percent of it to NATO countries — in 1979, according to official documents.

Persistent rumors of a change in arms export policy have led to an outcry and Social Democrat Party Secretary-General Peter Glogtz has warned of the danger of "foreign political adventures."

West Germany said planning expulsion of Soviet spies

BONN, April 11 (AFP) — West Germany may soon become the latest of several Western European nations to expel Soviet residents on spying charges, the leader of the Christian Social Union (CSU) in the Bundestag has been quoted as saying.

The parliamentarian, Theodor Waigel, said in an interview published Sunday by the *Bild am Sonntag* newspaper that Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher will meet with Christian Democratic officials to discuss Soviet activities in West Germany. The CSU is allied with the Christian Democrats.

"Expulsions could follow if it were found that numerous Russians were taking part in technological espionage in the Federal Republic," Waigel was quoted as saying. "If the state were consistent, it should close the Soviet Embassy," Waigel said. But, he added, such a step would probably lead to the closing of the West German Embassy in the Soviet Union.

Last Tuesday, France expelled 47 Soviet diplomats after charging that they had taken part in a massive spy ring. The move, unprecedented in French-Soviet relations, followed expulsions or arrests in Britain, Italy and Spain.

Meanwhile the *Financial Times* newspaper, whose Moscow correspondent Anthony Robinson was expelled by the Soviet Union on Friday, Monday accused Moscow of playing "a game of tit for tat" which could harm the Soviet leadership's reputation. "Every country has the right to expel spies, provided they are spies. It is quite an her matter for Moscow to start a game of tit for tat of which nobody can say where it will end," the paper said in an editorial.

"Doing so would do nothing for the reputation of (Communist Party leader) Yuri Andropov and his new regime in the Kremlin," it went on. The *Financial Times* noted that gathering and publishing information was a legitimate activity but was seen in a different light by Moscow. "The role of the Soviet journalists is very different from that of his Western colleague. In the Soviet Union the journalist is expected to support the system and to put over its viewpoints," the editorial concluded.

On Thai incursions

Kampuchea protests to U.N.

BANGKOK, April 11 (R) — Hun Sen, foreign minister in the Vietnamese-backed Kampuchean government, has protested to the United Nations against what he says were repeated incursions into Kampuchea by Thai troops and aircraft.

The official Kampuchean news agency SPK said Monday the minister had told U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar in a message that the Thai attacks, together with attacks by Kampuchean guerrillas, were a crude challenge to world opinion and flouted fundamental U.N. principles. It quoted the foreign minister as saying that the Thai government and its U.S. and Chinese allies had done everything possible to make it appear that Vietnamese and Kampuchean troops had violated Thai territory, attacked camps and killed civilians.

The Thai Army has said that Vietnamese forces in Kampuchea fighting the estimated 40,000 guerrillas along the Thai frontier have crossed into Thailand and skirmished with Thai troops.

About 50,000 Kampuchean refugees living in guerrilla-guarded camps on the frontier fled into Thailand as the Vietnamese moved in to destroy the insurgent bases. Military officials say the fighting has been the heaviest since Vietnam invaded Kampuchea in December 1978. Casualties so far have included several hundred civilians killed and wounded, international relief agency workers say.

Hun Sen repeated his government's claim that the displaced Kampuchean civilians living on the ill-defined frontier between Thailand and Kampuchea were not in Kampuchea. "There is not and there will be no Kampuchean camps inside Kampuchean territory which is now entirely under the control of the People's Republic of Kampuchea. The...government has the right and duty to wipe out the bandit gangs and ensure order and security for the population," Hun Sen said. He urged the Thai government to put an end to its "interference" in Kampuchea.

The government Hun Sen represents came to power after Vietnam's invasion. It is recognized only by Soviet bloc countries and India.

In another development China said Monday that 14 Chinese had been killed or injured along the Sino-Vietnamese border in March and warned Vietnam of serious consequences if it continued to provoke armed clashes.

The New China News Agency said the Chinese Foreign Ministry gave the warning in a note handed to the Vietnamese Embassy. The note also accused Vietnam of being responsible for more than 70 armed provocations last month. The agency quoted the note as saying: "The Vietnamese authorities have given much publicity to their intention to normalize Sino-Vietnamese relations, but actually they have intensified armed provocations against Chinese areas along the border..."

"If the Vietnamese authorities act wilfully and let the trend develop further, they must be held responsible for the grave consequences arising therefrom." There have been frequent incidents on the border since the two countries fought an inconclusive frontier war in 1979.

Meanwhile, two giant C-5 Galaxy aircraft loaded with long-range guns landed in Bangkok Monday after a non-stop flight to Thailand from the United States. Eight 155 mm howitzers from U.S. Army stocks rolled from the holds and were immediately taken to the Kampuchean border, where Thailand said Vietnamese troops have intruded into its territory. It was the second shipment of U.S. weapons to arrive here since the Reagan administration agreed to a request by Prime Minister Prem Tinsulanonda for speeded-up deliveries last week.

China accuses America of political conspiracy

PEKING, April 11 (AP) — China accused the United States Monday of political kidnapping in the asylum case of tennis star Hu Na, one day after it accused U.S. President Ronald Reagan of trying to play her "Western daddy."

"All people who respect facts can see that this was not only a case of political abduction but also one of political conspiracy," the official Xinhua news agency said in a commentary from Washington by chief correspondent Peng Di. On Sunday, China launched its first personal attack on Reagan in the case, quoting him as saying, "I would rather take her in myself than send her back." "The president of a formidable big power," *The People's Daily* said, "goes so far as to grab a Chinese girl away from her parents and then offer his services as her Western daddy."

On April 4, the U.S. government, rebuffing China's protests, granted political asylum to the 19-year-old tennis player whose lawyer has Taiwan connections. In retaliation, China canceled all remaining official Sino-U.S. cultural exchanges for 1983 and withdrew from 10 tournaments in the United States this year.

The commentary Monday said U.S. authorities tried to use the incident "as a political instrument for defaming China and sabotaging the Sino-U.S. relations."

Meanwhile, eight Chinese publishers returned home Sunday night, cutting short a U.S. visit as part of China's protest against the U.S. grant of political asylum to Hu Na, the Xinhua reported. However, an American orchestra that arrived one day after China angrily canceled a package of cultural exchanges — but was not part of that package — played five encores Sunday night for 1,400 Chinese who gave it a standing ovation.

The returning Chinese delegation, led by Duan Liancheng and Luo Jun, director and adviser of China's Foreign Languages Publication and Distribution Bureau, had gone to the United States on Tuesday on a study tour, Xinhua said. It did not say how long the group was to have stayed. China announced Thursday it was canceling 1983 sports exchanges and all cultural exchanges falling under a 1982-83 government-to-government agreement. This included the publishers.

Solidarity activist put on trial

WARSAW, April 11 (Agencies) — The Polish government continued its campaign against supporters of the outlawed Solidarity labor federation Monday, opening the trial of veteran labor activist Edmund Baluka on charges of "anti-state" activity in France in 1973-81.

The trial of nine underground Solidarity activists, meanwhile, entered its second week in Warsaw military court, and the hard-line army newspaper lashed out against the union's clandestine leadership. Baluka, 46, played a key role in organizing the shipyard strike in the Baltic port of Szczecin in 1970, a milestone in the workers' struggle which led to the formation of Solidarity in August 1980. Baluka fled to France in 1973, and returned to Szczecin on an allegedly illegal French passport in April 1981. Never a member of Solidarity, Baluka received protection from the giant, 9.5 million member union when authorities sought to prosecute him for entering the country illegally in 1981.

Solidarity was suspended with the Dec. 13, 1981 declaration of martial law and it was banned last October. Most of its leaders were interned without charge, but a few of them eluded authorities and remain at large, waging an underground campaign for labor unions free of government control.

Baluka, on trial in a military court in the central Polish city of Bygoszcz, 225 kilometers west of Warsaw, is charged with maintaining contacts with foreign radio stations broadcasting in Polish, with "slandering Poland" by publishing the newspaper *Szczecinek* (the hornet) in France and smuggling it into Poland, and with allegedly trying to "set up a Polish Socialist labor party ... and other illegal groups."

Western reporters trying to attend the trial were told it is "closed" and were turned away from the military courthouse. An official source said the trial was expected to last about three days. The case against the nine Solidarity members charged with union activity is expected to last several more weeks, sources said. It began on March 29, in Warsaw military district court, and Western reporters have been turned away with the explanation that the courtroom is too small to hold them.

Meanwhile, Solidarity leader Lech Walesa mystified his followers Sunday by not appearing at a function attended by Jozef Cardinal Glemp, the head of Poland's Catholic church.

His wife Danuta, reached by telephone, said that he had indeed left home on Saturday night, and would return on Monday. She seemed unworried, and told the journalist in a lighthearted way, "you ask too many questions."

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